# **PHA Plans**

5 Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2000 - 2004 Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2000

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# PHA Plan KY096v03

PHA Name: Knott County Housing Authority		
PHA Number: KY096		
PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: 04/2000		
Public Access to Information		
Information regarding any activities outlined in this plan can be obtained by contacting:  (select all that apply)		
Display Locations For PHA Plans and Supporting Documents		
The PHA Plans (including attachments) are available for public inspection at: (select all that apply)  Main administrative office of the PHA PHA development management offices PHA local offices Main administrative office of the local government Main administrative office of the County government Main administrative office of the State government Public library PHA website Other (list below)		
PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at: (select all that apply)  Main business office of the PHA  PHA development management offices  Other (list below)		

# 5-YEAR PLAN PHA FISCAL YEARS 2000 - 2004

[24 CFR Part 903.5]

A.	Mission
	e the PHA's mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low income, and extremely low-income lies in the PHA's jurisdiction. (select one of the choices below)
	The mission of the PHA is the same as that of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: To promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.
	The PHA's mission is: To provide quality, affordable housing in a safe environment through professional and fiscally prudent management, without discrimination.
<u>B.</u>	Goals
emplident PHA REA inclu	goals and objectives listed below are derived from HUD's strategic Goals and Objectives and those hasized in recent legislation. PHAs may select any of these goals and objectives as their own, or tify other goals and/or objectives. Whether selecting the HUD-suggested objectives or their own, as are strongly encouraged to identify QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES OF SUCCESS IN ACHING THEIR OBJECTIVES OVER THE COURSE OF THE 5 YEARS. (Quantifiable measures would ade targets such as: numbers of families served or PHAS scores achieved.) PHAs should identify these sures in the spaces to the right of or below the stated objectives.
HU	D Strategic Goal: Increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing.
	PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing Objectives:  Apply for additional rental vouchers: Reduce public housing vacancies: Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing opportunities: Acquire or build units or developments Other (list below)
	PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing Objectives:  Improve public housing management: (PHAS score) Improve voucher management: (SEMAP score) Increase customer satisfaction:

	Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions: (list; e.g., public housing finance; voucher unit inspections) Renovate or modernize public housing units: Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing: Provide replacement public housing: Provide replacement vouchers: Other: (list below)	
	HA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices bjectives:  Provide voucher mobility counseling: Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords Increase voucher payment standards Implement voucher homeownership program: Implement public housing or other homeownership programs: Implement public housing site-based waiting lists: Convert public housing to vouchers: Other: (list below)	
HUD S	ategic Goal: Improve community quality of life and economic vitality	
HUD S	HA Goal: Provide an improved living environment bjectives:  Implement measures to deconcentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments:  Implement measures to promote income mixing in public housing by assuring access for lower income families into higher income developments:  Implement public housing security improvements:  Designate developments or buildings for particular resident groups (elderly, persons with disabilities)  Other: (list below)	lic
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		Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability:  Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.  Other: (list below)
HUD	Strategi	c Goal: Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans
X	PHA CObjects	Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing lives:  Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:  Undertake affirmative measures to provide a suitable living environment for families living in assisted housing, regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:  Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all varieties of disabilities regardless of unit size required:  Other: (list below)
Other	Goal:	Foals and Objectives: (list below)  To construct a Community Room by March 31, 2005 at a small development does not have any nearby meeting facilities available to nts.
		To lend our support and assistance to our Resident organization in our efforts to a higher percentage of participation of Residents in the organization.
		To continue to manage the Housing Authority at the high level of efficiency and reness which will allow us to maintain our high performance status.
	Object	<b>tive:</b> The Housing Authority shall maintain a waiting list of sufficient size to insure our ability to fill our housing units within fifteen (15) days of them becoming vacant.

#### **Annual PHA Plan**

## PHA Fiscal Year 2000

[24 CFR Part 903.7]

## i. Annual Plan Type:

Select which type of Annual Plan the PHA will submit.

Standard Plan

Streamlined Plan:

High Performing PHA

Small Agency (<250 Public Housing Units)

Administering Section 8 Only

Troubled Agency Plan

## ii. Executive Summary of the Annual PHA Plan

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a brief overview of the information in the Annual Plan, including highlights of major initiatives and discretionary policies the PHA has included in the Annual Plan.

# iii. Annual Plan Table of Contents

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a table of contents for the Annual Plan, including attachments, and a list of supporting documents available for public inspection.

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## Required Attachments:

$\boxtimes$	A - Admissions Policy for Deconcentration
$\boxtimes$	B - FY 2000 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement
	Most recent board-approved operating budget (Required Attachment for PHAs
	that are troubled or at risk of being designated troubled ONLY)

#### Optional Attachments:

X C – FY 2000 Capital Fund Program 5 Year Act	tion	Plan
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D - PHA Management Organizational Chart

Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) Plan

E - Comments of Resident Advisory Board or Boards (must be attached if not included in PHA Plan text)

Other (List below, providing each attachment name)

F – Public Housing Asset Management Table

G – Admissions & Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) (KY096g02)

#### **Supporting Documents Available for Review**

Indicate which documents are available for public review by placing a mark in the "Applicable & On Display" column in the appropriate rows. All listed documents must be on display if applicable to the program activities conducted by the PHA.

	List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component	
&			
On Display			
X	PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans	5 Year and Annual Plans	
	and Related Regulations		
X	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the	5 Year and Annual Plans	
	Consolidated Plan		

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review			
Applicable &	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component	
On Display			
X	Fair Housing Documentation: Records reflecting that the PHA has examined its programs or proposed programs, identified any impediments to fair housing choice in those programs, addressed or is addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available, and worked or is working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdictions' initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement.	5 Year and Annual Plans	
X	Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction/s in which the PHA is located (which includes the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI))) and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs in the jurisdiction	Annual Plan: Housing Needs	
X	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources;	
X	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP]	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies	
NA	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies	
X	Public Housing Deconcentration and Income Mixing Documentation:  1. PHA board certifications of compliance with deconcentration requirements (section 16(a) of the US Housing Act of 1937, as implemented in the 2/18/99 Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act Initial Guidance; Notice and any further HUD guidance) and 2. Documentation of the required deconcentration and income mixing analysis	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies	
X	Public housing rent determination policies, including the methodology for setting public housing flat rents  check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination	
X	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development  check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination	
NA	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies  check here if included in Section 8  Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Rent Determination	
X	Public housing management and maintenance policy documents, including policies for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (including cockroach infestation)	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance	

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable &	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
On Display		
X	Public housing grievance procedures	Annual Plan: Grievance
	check here if included in the public housing	Procedures
	A & O Policy	
NA	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures	Annual Plan: Grievance
	check here if included in Section 8	Procedures
	Administrative Plan	
X	The HUD-approved Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Program Annual Statement (HUD 52837) for the active grant	
***	year CHARD 1 (P) D (MMD 52005) C	151 6 111
X	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
CNA	any active CIAP grant  Most recent, approved 5 Year Action Plan for the Capital	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
CNA	Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program, if not included as an	Aimuai Fian. Capitai Needs
	attachment (provided at PHA option)	
NA	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans or any other	
	approved proposal for development of public housing	
NA	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or	Annual Plan: Demolition
	disposition of public housing	and Disposition
NA	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public	Annual Plan: Designation of
	housing (Designated Housing Plans)	Public Housing
NA	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable	Annual Plan: Conversion of
	revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted	Public Housing
	conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act	
NA	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership	Annual Plan:
1471	programs/plans	Homeownership
NA	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program	Annual Plan:
	check here if included in the Section 8	Homeownership
	Administrative Plan	•
X	Any cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF	Annual Plan: Community
	agency	Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	FSS Action Plan/s for public housing and/or Section 8	Annual Plan: Community
		Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other	Annual Plan: Community
	resident services grant) grant program reports	Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	The most recent Public Housing Drug Elimination Program	Annual Plan: Safety and
	(PHEDEP) semi-annual performance report for any open grant and most recently submitted PHDEP application (PHDEP	Crime Prevention
	Plan)	
X	The most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted	Annual Plan: Annual Audit
	under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.	
	S.C. 1437c(h)), the results of that audit and the PHA's	
	response to any findings	
NA	Troubled PHAs: MOA/Recovery Plan	Troubled PHAs
	Other supporting documents (optional)	(specify as needed)
	(list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable &	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
On Display		

## 1. Statement of Housing Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (a)]

### A. Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction/s Served by the PHA

Based upon the information contained in the Consolidated Plan/s applicable to the jurisdiction, and/or other data available to the PHA, provide a statement of the housing needs in the jurisdiction by completing the following table. In the "Overall" Needs column, provide the estimated number of renter families that have housing needs. For the remaining characteristics, rate the impact of that factor on the housing needs for each family type, from 1 to 5, with 1 being "no impact" and 5 being "severe impact." Use N/A to indicate that no information is available upon which the PHA can make this assessment.

Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction							
		by	<b>Family T</b>	ype			
Family Type	Overall	Afford- ability	Supply	Quality	Access- ibility	Size	Loca- tion
Income <= 30% of AMI	366	5	2	3	1	3	2
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	105	5	2	3	1	3	2
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	57	4	2	3	1	2	2
Elderly	69	5	3	3	2	2	2
Families with Disabilities	NA						
Race/Ethnicity	NA						
Race/Ethnicity							
Race/Ethnicity							
Race/Ethnicity							

What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

$\boxtimes$	Consolidated Plan of the Jurisdiction/s
	Indicate year: 1990

U.S. Census data: the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") dataset

	American Housing Survey data
	Indicate year:
	Other housing market study
	Indicate year:
$\boxtimes$	Other sources: (list and indicate year of information)
	1998 Kentucky Deskbook of Economic Statistics

## B. Housing Needs of Families on the Public Housing and Section 8 Tenant- Based Assistance Waiting Lists

State the housing needs of the families on the PHA's waiting list/s. Complete one table for each type of PHA-wide waiting list administered by the PHA. PHAs may provide separate tables for site-based or sub-jurisdictional public housing waiting lists at their option.

I	Housing Needs of Fam	ilies on the Waiting Li	st
Waiting list type: (selection 8 tenants)	t one) t-based assistance		
Public Housing			
Combined Secti	on 8 and Public Housing	<u>,</u>	
Public Housing	Site-Based or sub-jurisdi	ctional waiting list (option	nal)
If used, identify	which development/sub	jurisdiction:	
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	36		48.8
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	28	77.8	54.1
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	5	13.9	44.0
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	3	8.3	40.0
Families with children	14	38.9	54.8
Elderly families	10	27.8	28.6

]	Housing Needs of Fam	ilies on the Waiting Li	st
Families with Disabilities	12	33.3	60.0
Race/ethnicity	0	0	0
Race/ethnicity			v
Race/ethnicity			
Race/ethnicity			
Characteristics by			
Bedroom Size (Public			
Housing Only)			
1BR	26	72.2	46.0
2 BR	6	16.7	50.0
3 BR	4	11.1	55.0
4 BR	0	0	20.0
5 BR	0	0	100
5+ BR	NA	NA	NA
Is the waiting list close	ed (select one)? No	Yes	
If yes:			
How long has	it been closed (# of mont	ths)?	
	_	in the PHA Plan year? [	
	· _ · _ ·	s of families onto the wai	ting list, even if
generally close	ed? No Yes		
jurisdiction and on the wa this strategy.	n of the PHA's strategy for	addressing the housing need IG YEAR, and the Agency's	
	ffordable housing for a		
Strategy 1. Maximiz current resources by Select all that apply		lable units available to	the PHA within its
public housing	units off-line	agement policies to minin	nize the number of
K 7	er time for vacated public renovate public housing		

	Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance development
	Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8
	replacement housing resources  Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that
	will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction
	Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted
	by the PHA, regardless of unit size required  Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners,
	particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration
	Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program
	Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination
	with broader community strategies Other (list below)
	Other (list below)
	gy 2: Increase the number of affordable housing units by:  ll that apply
Sciect a	ii tilat appry
	Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available
 mixed	Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of - finance housing
	Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based
	assistance.
	Other: (list below)
Need:	Specific Family Types: Families at or below 30% of median
Strate	gy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 30 % of AMI
Select a	ll that apply
$\boxtimes$	Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing
	Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in
	tenant-based section 8 assistance
	Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships  Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
	Other: (list below)
Need:	Specific Family Types: Families at or below 50% of median
Strate	gy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 50% of AMI

Select al	ll that apply
	Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work Other: (list below)
Need:	Specific Family Types: The Elderly
Strate	gy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:
Select al	ll that apply
	Seek designation of public housing for the elderly Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available Other: (list below)
Need:	Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities
	gy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:
	Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities  Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504  Needs Assessment for Public Housing  Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they become available  Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities  Other: (list below)
Need: needs	Specific Family Types: Races or ethnicities with disproportionate housing
	gy 1: Increase awareness of PHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs: applicable
□ ⊠ Strates	Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate housing needs  Other: (list below) We have no race/ethnic disproportinate needs; however, we affirmatively market to all persons with housing needs.  Example 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing
Summe	5) Common new rivers to minimum reg in men in invusing

Select all that apply	
<ul> <li>Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units</li> <li>Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations</li> <li>Other: (list below) We have no Section 8; however, we outreach to employers and businesses, advising them of our housing availability and fair housing practices.</li> </ul>	
Other Housing Needs & Strategies: (list needs and strategies below)	
(2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies  Of the factors listed below, select all that influenced the PHA's selection of the strategies it will pursue:	
Funding constraints Staffing constraints Limited availability of sites for assisted housing Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other information available to the PHA Influence of the housing market on PHA programs Community priorities regarding housing assistance Results of consultation with local or state government Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board Results of consultation with advocacy groups Other: (list below)	
2. Statement of Financial Resources [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)] List the financial resources that are anticipated to be available to the PHA for the support of Federal public housing and tenant-based Section 8 assistance programs administered by the PHA during the Plan year. Note: the table assumes that Federal public housing or tenant based Section 8 assistance grant funds are expended on eligible purposes; therefore, uses of these funds need not be stated. For other funds, indicate the use for those funds as one of the following categories: public housing operations, public housing capital improvements, public housing safety/security, public housing supportive services, Section 8 tenant-based assistance, Section 8 supportive services or other.	
Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses	

Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
1. Federal Grants (FY 2000 grants)		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund	113,980	
b) Public Housing Capital Fund	131,000	
c) HOPE VI Revitalization	-0-	
d) HOPE VI Demolition	-0-	
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	-0-	
f) Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (including any Technical Assistance funds)	-0-	
g) Resident Opportunity and Self- Sufficiency Grants	-0-	
h) Community Development Block Grant	-0-	
i) HOME	-0-	
Other Federal Grants (list below)	-0-	
2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)	142,396	PHA Capital Improvements
KY36P096909-99		improvements
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income	114,400	PHA Operations
4. Other income (list below)		
4. Non-federal sources (list below)  Interest on General Fund Investmts	3,190	PHA Operations
Other	1,500	PHA Operations
Oute	1,500	TITA Operations
Total resources	506,406	

# 3. PHA Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (c)]

Α.	Pub	lic	Ho	using

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete subcomponent 3A.

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(1) Eligibility
a. When does the PHA verify eligibility for admission to public housing? (select all that apply)  When families are within a certain number of being offered a unit: (state number) within 3
When families are within a certain time of being offered a unit: (state time)  Other: (describe)
<ul> <li>b. Which non-income (screening) factors does the PHA use to establish eligibility for admission to public housing (select all that apply)?</li> <li>Criminal or Drug-related activity</li> <li>Rental history</li> <li>Housekeeping</li> <li>Other (1) If they owe money to another Federally funded housing program.</li> <li>(2) Credit Report</li> </ul>
c. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?  d. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?  e. Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
(2)Waiting List Organization
<ul> <li>a. Which methods does the PHA plan to use to organize its public housing waiting list (select all that apply)</li> <li>Community-wide list</li> <li>Sub-jurisdictional lists</li> <li>Site-based waiting lists</li> <li>Other (describe)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> </ul>

PHA development site management office

Other (list below)
c. If the PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, answer each of the following questions; if not, skip to subsection (3) <b>Assignment</b>
1. How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year?
2. Yes No: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously-HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)? If yes, how many lists?
3. Yes No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously If yes, how many lists?
<ul> <li>4. Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)?</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>All PHA development management offices</li> <li>Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists</li> <li>At the development to which they would like to apply</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
(3) Assignment
<ul> <li>a. How many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are removed from the waiting list? (select one)</li> <li>One</li> <li>Two</li> <li>Three or More</li> </ul>
b. X Yes No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?
c. If answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA:
(4) Admissions Preferences
a. Income targeting:

Yes No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% of all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income?
b. Transfer policies: In what circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below)  Emergencies  Overhoused  Underhoused  Medical justification  Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)  Resident choice: (state circumstances below)  Other: (list below)
c. Preferences  1. Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public housing (other than date and time of application)? (If "no" is selected, skip to subsection (5) Occupancy)
2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)
Former Federal preferences:  ☐ Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)  ☐ Victims of domestic violence ☐ Substandard housing ☐ Homelessness ☐ High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)
Other preferences: (select below)  Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability  Veterans and veterans' families  Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction  Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs  Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)  Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)  Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs

$\overline{\boxtimes}$	Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below) Elderly & Disabled over any other single person.
space that and so of absolute	PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the nat represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an e hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
1 Date	and Time
Former	Federal preferences:
	Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition) Victims of domestic violence
	Substandard housing
	Homelessness
3	High rent burden
1	Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability Veterans and veterans' families Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
2	Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)  Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)  Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs  Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
	Other preference(s) (list below) Elderly & Disabled over any other single person
	tionship of preferences to income targeting requirements:  The PHA applies preferences within income tiers  Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements
(5) Occ	<u>cupancy</u>
rules	t reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the s of occupancy of public housing (select all that apply)  The PHA-resident lease

	The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy PHA briefing seminars or written materials Other source (list)
b. How that ap	w often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition? (select all ply)  At an annual reexamination and lease renewal  Any time family composition changes  At family request for revision  Other (list)
(6) De	concentration and Income Mixing
a. 🔀	Yes No: Did the PHA's analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the need for measures to promote deconcentration of poverty or income mixing?
b. 🔀	Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its <b>admissions policies</b> based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote deconcentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?
c. If th	e answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (select all that apply)  Adoption of site-based waiting lists  If selected, list targeted developments below:
	Employing waiting list "skipping" to achieve deconcentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below: Concentration of poverty was consistent in all developments; therefore, waiting List "skipping" was chosen to achieve deconcentration at all our sites.
	Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below:
	Other (list policies and developments targeted below)

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agencies for screening purposes?
c. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
d.  Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply)
Criminal or drug-related activity Other (describe below)
(2) Waiting List Organization
<ul> <li>a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting list merged? (select all that apply)</li> <li>None</li> <li>Federal public housing</li> <li>Federal moderate rehabilitation</li> </ul>
Federal project-based certificate program  Other federal or local program (list below)
<ul> <li>b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (select all that apply)</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
(3) Search Time
a. Yes No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?
If yes, state circumstances below:
(4) Admissions Preferences
a. Income targeting

Yes No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program
to families at or below 30% of median area income?
<ul> <li>b. Preferences</li> <li>1. Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent (5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs)</li> </ul>
2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)
Former Federal preferences  Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)  Victims of domestic violence Substandard housing Homelessness High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)
Other preferences (select all that apply)  Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability Veterans and veterans' families Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes) Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting) Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below)
3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
Date and Time
Former Federal preferences

	Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner,
	Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
	Victims of domestic violence
	Substandard housing
	Homelessness
	High rent burden
Other p	Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability Veterans and veterans' families Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes) Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting) Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below)
	ong applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants d? (select one)  Date and time of application  Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique
	e PHA plans to employ preferences for "residents who live and/or work in the diction" (select one)  This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD
	The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan
6. Rela	ationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one)  The PHA applies preferences within income tiers  Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements
(5) Sp	pecial Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs

<ul> <li>a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility, selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the PHA contained? (select all that apply)</li> <li>The Section 8 Administrative Plan</li> <li>Briefing sessions and written materials</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?</li> <li>Through published notices</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
4. PHA Rent Determination Policies [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (d)]
<b>A. Public Housing</b> Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete sub-component 4A.
(1) Income Based Rent Policies
Describe the PHA's income based rent setting policy/ies for public housing using, including discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income disregards and exclusions, in the appropriate spaces below.
a. Use of discretionary policies: (select one)
The PHA will not employ any discretionary rent-setting policies for income based rent in public housing. Income-based rents are set at the higher of 30% of adjusted monthly income, 10% of unadjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or minimum rent (less HUD mandatory deductions and exclusions). (If selected, skip to subcomponent (2))
or
The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining income based rent (If selected, continue to question b.)
b. Minimum Rent

1. W	hat amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)
	\$0
	\$1-\$25
$\overline{\boxtimes}$	\$26-\$50
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2.	Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies?
<b>3</b> I-	f yes to question 2, list these policies below:
J. 1	• •
	(1) When the family through no fault of its own has lost eligibility for or is
	waiting an eligibility determination for a Federal, State, or local assistance
	program;
	(2) When the family would be evicted as a result of the imposition of the
	Minimum rent requirement;
	(3) When the income of the family has decreased because of changed
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	circumstances, including loss of employment;
	(4) When the family has an increase in expenses because of changed
	circumstances for medical costs, transportation, education or similar items;
	(5) When a death has occurred in the family.
c. F	Rents set at less than 30% than adjusted income
1.	Yes No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fixed amount or
	percentage less than 30% of adjusted income?
	yes to above, list the amounts or percentages charged and the circumstances under which these will be used below:
d W	Thich of the discretionary (optional) deductions and/or exclusions policies does the PHA
	plan to employ (select all that apply)
$\bowtie$	For the earned income of a previously unemployed household member
Щ	For increases in earned income
	Fixed amount (other than general rent-setting policy)
	If yes, state amount/s and circumstances below:
	Fixed percentage (other than general rent-setting policy)
	1
	For household heads
$\exists$	For household heads
$\triangle$	For other family members (under the age of 18 years)

	For transportation expenses (by publicly assisted programs) For the non-reimbursed medical expenses of non-disabled or non-elderly families Other (describe below) (1) See ACOP - Section 11.2 Annual Income Exclusions
e. (	Ceiling rents
1.	Do you have ceiling rents? (rents set at a level lower than 30% of adjusted income) (select one)
	Yes for all developments Yes but only for some developments No
2.	For which kinds of developments are ceiling rents in place? (select all that apply)
	For all developments  For all general occupancy developments (not elderly or disabled or elderly only)  For specified general occupancy developments  For certain parts of developments; e.g., the high-rise portion  For certain size units; e.g., larger bedroom sizes  Other (list below)
3.	Select the space or spaces that best describe how you arrive at ceiling rents (select all that apply)
	Market comparability study Fair market rents (FMR) 95 <sup>th</sup> percentile rents 75 percent of operating costs 100 percent of operating costs for general occupancy (family) developments Operating costs plus debt service The "rental value" of the unit Other (list below)
f. ]	Rent re-determinations:
fan	Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or nily composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent? (select that apply)

	Never At family option Any time the family experiences an income increase Any time a family experiences an income increase above a threshold amount or percentage: (if selected, specify threshold) Other (list below) (1) Any time family composition changes.
g. 🗌	Yes No: Does the PHA plan to implement individual savings accounts for residents (ISAs) as an alternative to the required 12 month disallowance of earned income and phasing in of rent increases in the next year?
(2) Fla	at Rents
	setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use to ablish comparability? (select all that apply.)  The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing Survey of rents listed in local newspaper  Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood  Other (list/describe below)
Exempt sub-con	ection 8 Tenant-Based Assistance ions: PHAs that do not administer Section 8 tenant-based assistance are not required to complete inponent 4B. Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant- ection 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, ates).
	wment Standards e the voucher payment standards and policies.
Describ	e the voucher payment standards and policies.
a. Wha	,
	At or above 90% but below100% of FMR 100% of FMR
	Above 100% but at or below 110% of FMR Above 110% of FMR (if HUD approved; describe circumstances below)

b. If the payment standard is lower than FMR, why has the PHA selected this standard? (select all that apply)
FMRs are adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment
of the FMR area  The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment standard Reflects market or submarket Other (list below)
c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level? (select
all that apply)  FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
Reflects market or submarket To increase housing options for families Other (list below)
<ul> <li>d. How often are payment standards reevaluated for adequacy? (select one)</li> <li>Annually</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>e. What factors will the PHA consider in its assessment of the adequacy of its payment standard? (select all that apply)</li> <li>Success rates of assisted families</li> <li>Rent burdens of assisted families</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
(2) Minimum Rent
<ul> <li>a. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)</li> <li>\$0</li> <li>\$1-\$25</li> <li>\$26-\$50</li> </ul>
b.  Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? (if yes, list below)
5. Operations and Management

Exemptions from Component 5: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this section. Section 8 only PHAs must complete parts A, B, and C(2)

## A. PHA Management Structure

Describe	the PHA's management structure and organization.
(select o	one)
$\boxtimes$	An organization chart showing the PHA's management structure and organization is
	attached. Attachment "D"
	A brief description of the management structure and organization of the PHA follows

## **B. HUD Programs Under PHA Management**

List Federal programs administered by the PHA, number of families served at the beginning of the upcoming fiscal year, and expected turnover in each. (Use "NA" to indicate that the PHA does not operate any of the programs listed below.)

Program Name	Units or Families	Expected
	Served at Year	Turnover
	Beginning	
Public Housing	81	39%
Section 8 Vouchers	NA	
Section 8 Certificates	NA	
Section 8 Mod Rehab	NA	
Special Purpose Section	NA	
8 Certificates/Vouchers	NA	
(list individually)		
Public Housing Drug	NA	
Elimination Program		
(PHDEP)		
Other Federal	NA	
Programs(list individually)		

#### C. Management and Maintenance Policies

List the PHA's public housing management and maintenance policy documents, manuals and handbooks that contain the Agency's rules, standards, and policies that govern maintenance and management of public housing, including a description of any measures necessary for the prevention or

eradication of pest infestation (which includes cockroach infestation) and the policies governing Section 8 management.

(1) Public Housing Maintenance and Management: (list below)					
a.	Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy				
b.	Blood Borne Disease Policy				
c.	Criminal Trespass Policy				
d.	Capitalization Policy				
e.	Check Signing Policy				
f.	Criminal Records Management Policy				
g.	Deconcentration Policy				
h.	Disposition Policy				
i.	Drug Free Policy				
j.	Equal Housing Opportunity Policy				
k.	Ethics Policy				
1.	Facilities Use Policy				
m.	Funds Transfer Policy				
n.	Grievance Procedure Policy				
0.	Hazard Materials Policy				
p.	Investment policy				
q.	Maintenance Policy				
(1)	Section 2.5(A) Pest Control Policy				
r.	Natural Disaster Policy				
S.	Pet Policy				
t.	Personnel Policy				
u.	Procurement Policy				
V.	Substantial Deviation/Modification Policy				
W.	Zero Tolerance Policy				
х.	Public Housing Lease				

(2) Section 8 Management: (list below)

# **6. PHA Grievance Procedures**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (f)]

Exemptions from component 6: High performing PHAs are not required to complete component 6. Section 8-Only PHAs are exempt from sub-component 6A.

## A. Public Housing

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established any written grievance procedures in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR Part 966, Subpart B, for residents of public housing?			
If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:			
<ul> <li>2. Which PHA office should residents or applicants to public housing contact to initiate the PHA grievance process? (select all that apply)</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>PHA development management offices</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>			
B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance  1. Yes No: Has the PHA established informal review procedures for applicants to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program and informal hearing procedures for families assisted by the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR 982?			
If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:			
<ul> <li>2. Which PHA office should applicants or assisted families contact to initiate the informal review and informal hearing processes? (select all that apply)</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>			
7. Capital Improvement Needs [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (g)]			
Exemptions from Component 7: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component and may skip to Component 8.			
A. Capital Fund Activities			

Exemptions from sub-component 7A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may skip to component 7B. All other PHAs must complete 7A as instructed.

## (1) Capital Fund Program Annual Statement

Using parts I, II, and III of the Annual Statement for the Capital Fund Program (CFP), identify capital activities the PHA is proposing for the upcoming year to ensure long-term physical and social viability of its public housing developments. This statement can be completed by using the CFP Annual Statement tables provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR**, at the PHA's option, by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52837.

Select	one: The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) Attachment "B"
	The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP Annual Statement from the Table Library and insert here)
(2) O	ptional 5-Year Action Plan
Agenci can be	es are encouraged to include a 5-Year Action Plan covering capital work items. This statement completed by using the 5 Year Action Plan table provided in the table library at the end of the lan template <b>OR</b> by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52834.
a. 🔀	Yes No: Is the PHA providing an optional 5-Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund? (if no, skip to sub-component 7B)
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o. If y or-	res to question a, select one:  The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state nameAttachment "D"
	The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP optional 5 Year Action Plan from the Table Library and insert here)
	IOPE VI and Public Housing Development and Replacement vities (Non-Capital Fund)
HOPE '	ability of sub-component 7B: All PHAs administering public housing. Identify any approved VI and/or public housing development or replacement activities not described in the Capital Fund in Annual Statement.
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question c; if copying and c	received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to yes, provide responses to question b for each grant, ompleting as many times as necessary) PE VI revitalization grant (complete one set of each grant)
Revita Revita Revita Revita	ect) number: ect the statement that best describes the current status) dization Plan under development dization Plan submitted, pending approval dization Plan approved ties pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan
the Plan year?	plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in elopment name/s below:
activities for p	be engaging in any mixed-finance development ublic housing in the Plan year? elopments or activities below:
replacement a Annual Staten If yes, list dev	elopments or activities below:
<b>8. Demolition and Disposition</b> [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (h)] Applicability of component 8: Section 8 or	only PHAs are not required to complete this section.
activities (pur (42 U.S.C. 14	A plan to conduct any demolition or disposition suant to section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (37p)) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If "No", skip to if "yes", complete one activity description for each
2. Activity Description	

Yes No:	Has the PHA provided the activities description information in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If "yes", skip to component 9. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.)
	Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development nam	
1b. Development (pro	
2. Activity type: Demo	
Dispo	
3. Application status (	select one)
Approved	nding approval
Planned applie	<u> </u>
	proved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. Number of units aff	<u> </u>
6. Coverage of action	ı (select one)
Part of the develo	pment
Total developmen	t
7. Timeline for activity	
-	rojected start date of activity:
b. Projected e	nd date of activity:
or Families w with Disabilit [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (i)]	of Public Housing for Occupancy by Elderly Families ith Disabilities or Elderly Families and Families ies  nent 9; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.
1. Yes No:	Has the PHA designated or applied for approval to designate or does the PHA plan to apply to designate any public housing for occupancy only by the elderly families or only by families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities or will apply for designation for occupancy by only elderly families or only families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities as provided by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e) in the upcoming fiscal year? (If "No", skip to component 10. If "yes", complete one activity description for each development, unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined

	submission; PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 10.)
2. Activity Description	
Yes No:	Has the PHA provided all required activity description information
10.	for this component in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset
	Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 10. If "No",
	complete the Activity Description table below.
	complete the rich rig Beschpiton those selform
Des	signation of Public Housing Activity Description
1a. Development name	:
1b. Development (proje	ect) number:
2. Designation type:	
Occupancy by	only the elderly
Occupancy by f	families with disabilities
Occupancy by o	only elderly families and families with disabilities
3. Application status (se	<u> </u>
11	uded in the PHA's Designation Plan
Submitted, pen	<u> </u>
Planned applica	ation
4. Date this designation	n approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. If approved, will this	s designation constitute a (select one)
New Designation I	Plan
Revision of a previ	iously-approved Designation Plan?
6. Number of units aff	fected:
7. Coverage of action	(select one)
Part of the develop	ment
Total development	
10. Conversion of	f Public Housing to Tenant-Based Assistance
[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (j)]	
<b>Exemptions from Compon</b>	ent 10; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.
A A	
	easonable Revitalization Pursuant to section 202 of the HUD
FY 1996 HUD	Appropriations Act
1. Yes No:	Have any of the PHA's developments or portions of developments
	been identified by HUD or the PHA as covered under section 202
	of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act? (If "No", skip to
	component 11; if "yes", complete one activity description for each

submission. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11.) 2. Activity Description Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the optional Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 11. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below. **Conversion of Public Housing Activity Description** 1a. Development name: 1b. Development (project) number: 2. What is the status of the required assessment? Assessment underway Assessment results submitted to HUD Assessment results approved by HUD (if marked, proceed to next question) Other (explain below) Yes No: Is a Conversion Plan required? (If yes, go to block 4; if no, go to block 5.) 4. Status of Conversion Plan (select the statement that best describes the current status) Conversion Plan in development Conversion Plan submitted to HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) Conversion Plan approved by HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) Activities pursuant to HUD-approved Conversion Plan underway 5. Description of how requirements of Section 202 are being satisfied by means other than conversion (select one) Units addressed in a pending or approved demolition application (date submitted or approved: Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI demolition application (date submitted or approved: Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI Revitalization Plan (date submitted or approved: Requirements no longer applicable: vacancy rates are less than 10 percent Requirements no longer applicable: site now has less than 300 units Other: (describe below)

identified development, unless eligible to complete a streamlined

B. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 22 of the U.S. Housing Act of

1937

C.	<b>Reserved for</b>	Conversions	pursuant to S	Section 33	of the U.S.	<b>Housing A</b>	ct of
191	37						

# 11. Homeownership Programs Administered by the PHA [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (k)]

A. Public Housing	
<b>Exemptions from Compor</b>	nent 11A: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete 11A.
1. ☐ Yes ⊠ No:	Does the PHA administer any homeownership programs administered by the PHA under an approved section 5(h) homeownership program (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), or an approved HOPE I program (42 U.S.C. 1437aaa) or has the PHA applied or plan to apply to administer any homeownership programs under section 5(h), the HOPE I program, or section 32 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437z-4). (If "No", skip to component 11B; if "yes", complete one activity description for each applicable program/plan, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to <b>small PHA</b> or <b>high performing PHA</b> status. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11B.)
2. Activity Description	1
☐ Yes ☐ No:	Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If "yes", skip to component 12. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.)
Pul	olic Housing Homeownership Activity Description
	(Complete one for each development affected)
1a. Development name	»:
1b. Development (proj	ect) number:

2. Federal Program au	nthority:
HOPE I	
5(h)	ш
Turnkey 1	
3. Application status:	22 of the USHA of 1937 (effective 10/1/99)
· · · —	d; included in the PHA's Homeownership Plan/Program
	d, pending approval
	application
	hip Plan/Program approved, submitted, or planned for submission:
(DD/MM/YYYY)	r
5. Number of units a	uffected:
6. Coverage of actio	n: (select one)
Part of the develo	ppment
Total developmen	nt
B. Section 8 Ten	nant Based Assistance
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1. Yes No:	Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership
	program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as
	implemented by 24 CFR part 982? (If "No", skip to component 12;
	if "yes", describe each program using the table below (copy and
	complete questions for each program identified), unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to high performer
	status. <b>High performing PHAs</b> may skip to component 12.)
	status. Then performing I Tras may skip to component 12.)
2. Program Description	on:
2. 110grum 2 000mp u	
a. Size of Program	
Yes No:	Will the PHA limit the number of families participating in the section
	8 homeownership option?
If the answer	to the question above was yes, which statement best describes the
•	rticipants? (select one)
	fewer participants
	0 participants
	100 participants
more	than 100 participants
h DUA aatabliahad al	ligibility gritario
b. PHA-established el	ngionity chieffa

Yes No: Will the PHA's program have eligibility criteria for participation in its Section 8 Homeownership Option program in addition to HUD criteria? If yes, list criteria below:
12. PHA Community Service and Self-sufficiency Programs  [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (1)]  Exemptions from Component 12: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this
component. Section 8-Only PHAs are not required to complete sub-component C.
A. PHA Coordination with the Welfare (TANF) Agency
<ol> <li>Cooperative agreements:</li> <li>Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA has entered into a cooperative agreement with the TANF Agency, to share information and/or target supportive services (as contemplated by section 12(d)(7) of the Housing Act of 1937)?</li> </ol>
If yes, what was the date that agreement was signed? <b>07/01/96</b>
<ul> <li>2. Other coordination efforts between the PHA and TANF agency (select all that apply)</li> <li>Client referrals</li> <li>Information sharing regarding mutual clients (for rent determinations and otherwise)</li> <li>Coordinate the provision of specific social and self-sufficiency services and programs to eligible families</li> <li>Jointly administer programs</li> <li>Partner to administer a HUD Welfare-to-Work voucher program</li> <li>Joint administration of other demonstration program</li> <li>Other (describe)</li> </ul>
B. Services and programs offered to residents and participants
(1) General
<ul> <li>a. Self-Sufficiency Policies</li> <li>Which, if any of the following discretionary policies will the PHA employ to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families in the following areas? (select all that apply)</li> <li>Public housing rent determination policies</li> <li>Public housing admissions policies</li> <li>Section 8 admissions policies</li> <li>Preference in admission to section 8 for certain public housing families</li> </ul>

	references for families working or engaging in training or education	
	rograms for non-housing programs operated or coordinated by the PHA reference/eligibility for public housing homeownership option participation reference/eligibility for section 8 homeownership option participation other policies (list below)	
b. Econ	mic and Social self-sufficiency programs	
☐ Ye	No: Does the PHA coordinate, promote or provide any program to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of residents? (If "yes", complete the following table; if "no" skip sub-component 2, Family Self Sufficiency Programs. The position of the table may be altered to facilitate its use.)	

	Serv	vices and Program	ms	
Program Name & Description (including location, if appropriate)	Estimated Size	Allocation Method (waiting list/random selection/specific criteria/other)	Access (development office / PHA main office / other provider name)	Eligibility (public housing or section 8 participants or both)

### (2) Family Self Sufficiency program/s

a. Participation Description

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Participation			
Program	Required Number of Participants	Actual Number of Participants	
	(start of FY 2000 Estimate)	(As of: DD/MM/YY)	
Public Housing			

Section 8	NA		
	HUD, does the most rec	aining the minimum program size required becent FSS Action Plan address the steps the chieve at least the minimum program size? A will take below:	•
C. Welfare Benefit Ro	eductions		
Housing Act of 1937 program requirements  Adopting appropriate policies and train  Informing reside  Actively notifying reexamination.  Establishing or pagencies regarding	(relating to the treatments) by: (select all that apportate changes to the PH in staff to carry out those into the policy on address residents of new policy on address residents of new policy oursuing a cooperative againg the exchange of information of the policy of t	IA's public housing rent determination	;
D. Reserved for Commu.S. Housing Act of 19	· -	irement pursuant to section 12(c) of the	<u>.</u>
13. PHA Safety and [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (m)] Exemptions from Componer Section 8 Only PHAs may s in PHDEP and are submitting	nd Crime Prevent  at 13: High performing and kip to component 15. High ag a PHDEP Plan with this I	d small PHAs not participating in PHDEP and h Performing and small PHAs that are participating PHA Plan may skip to sub-component D.	ng
A. Need for measures	to ensure the safety (	of public housing residents	
that apply)		e safety of public housing residents (select a	ıll

People on waiting list unwilling to move into one or more developments due to perceived and/or actual levels of violent and/or drug-related crime  Other (describe below)
2. What information or data did the PHA used to determine the need for PHA actions to improve safety of residents (select all that apply).
<ul> <li>□ Safety and security survey of residents</li> <li>□ Analysis of crime statistics over time for crimes committed "in and around" public housing authority</li> <li>□ Analysis of cost trends over time for repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti</li> <li>□ Resident reports</li> <li>□ PHA employee reports</li> <li>□ Police reports</li> <li>□ Demonstrable, quantifiable success with previous or ongoing anticrime/anti drug programs</li> <li>□ Other (describe below)</li> </ul>
3. Which developments are most affected? (list below)
B. Crime and Drug Prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake in the next PHA fiscal year
<ol> <li>List the crime prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake: (select all that apply)</li> <li>Contracting with outside and/or resident organizations for the provision of crime-and/or drug-prevention activities</li> <li>Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design</li> <li>Activities targeted to at-risk youth, adults, or seniors</li> <li>Volunteer Resident Patrol/Block Watchers Program</li> <li>Other (describe below)</li> </ol>
2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

# C. Coordination between PHA and the police

1. Describe the coordination between the PHA and the appropriate police precincts for carrying out crime prevention measures and activities: (select all that apply)
Police involvement in development, implementation, and/or ongoing evaluation of drug-elimination plan Police provide crime data to housing authority staff for analysis and action Police have established a physical presence on housing authority property (e.g., community policing office, officer in residence) Police regularly testify in and otherwise support eviction cases Police regularly meet with the PHA management and residents Agreement between PHA and local law enforcement agency for provision of above-baseline law enforcement services Other activities (list below)  Which developments are most affected? (list below)
<ul> <li>D. Additional information as required by PHDEP/PHDEP Plan</li> <li>PHAs eligible for FY 2000 PHDEP funds must provide a PHDEP Plan meeting specified requirements prior to receipt of PHDEP funds.</li> <li>Yes No: Is the PHA eligible to participate in the PHDEP in the fiscal year covered by this PHA Plan?</li> <li>Yes No: Has the PHA included the PHDEP Plan for FY 2000 in this PHA Plan?</li> <li>Yes No: This PHDEP Plan is an Attachment. (Attachment Filename:)</li> </ul>
14 DECEDVED FOR DET DOLLOW
[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (n)] The Pet Policy is included in the PHA ACOP  15. Civil Rights Certifications [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (o)]  Civil rights certifications are included in the PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations.  16. Fiscal Audit [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (p)]

1. Yes No: Is the PHA required to have an audit conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U S.C. 1437c(h))? (If no, skip to component 17.)
2. X Yes No: Was the most recent fiscal audit submitted to HUD?
3. $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No: Were there any findings as the result of that audit?
4. Yes No: If there were any findings, do any remain unresolved?
If yes, how many unresolved findings remain?
5. Yes No: Have responses to any unresolved findings been submitted to HUD? If not, when are they due (state below)?
17. PHA Asset Management [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (q)]
Exemptions from component 17: Section 8 Only PHAs are not required to complete this component. High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component.
1. Yes No: Is the PHA engaging in any activities that will contribute to the long-term asset management of its public housing stock, including how the Agency will plan for long-term operating, capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, disposition, and other needs that have <b>not</b> been addressed elsewhere in this PHA Plan?
<ul> <li>2. What types of asset management activities will the PHA undertake? (select all that apply)</li> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>Private management</li> <li>Development-based accounting</li> <li>Comprehensive stock assessment</li> <li>Other: (list below)</li> </ul>
3. Yes No: Has the PHA included descriptions of asset management activities in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset Management Table?
18. Other Information [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]
A. Resident Advisory Board Recommendations
1. Yes No: Did the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s?
2. If yes, the comments are: (if comments were received, the PHA MUST select one)

	Attached at Attac Provided below:	chment (File name) Attachment "E"
3. In v	Considered commecessary.	the PHA address those comments? (select all that apply) ments, but determined that no changes to the PHA Plan were ad portions of the PHA Plan in response to comments ow:
	Other: (list below	r)
B. De	scription of Elec	tion process for Residents on the PHA Board
1.	Yes No:	Does the PHA meet the exemption criteria provided section 2(b)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937? (If no, continue to question 2; if yes, skip to sub-component C.)
2.	Yes No:	Was the resident who serves on the PHA Board elected by the residents? (If yes, continue to question 3; if no, skip to subcomponent C.)
3. Des	scription of Reside	nt Election Process
a. Non	Candidates were Candidates could Self-nomination: ballot	tes for place on the ballot: (select all that apply) nominated by resident and assisted family organizations be nominated by any adult recipient of PHA assistance Candidates registered with the PHA and requested a place on nted by County Judge on recommendation of E.D.
<b>C.</b> Eli	Any adult recipie	
<b>D.</b> Eli	gible voters: (selec All adult recipien assistance)	t all that apply) ts of PHA assistance (public housing and section 8 tenant-based

Representatives of all PHA resident and assisted family organizations Other (list)
E. Statement of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan  For each applicable Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times as necessary).
${f F}_{ullet}$ Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: State of Kentucky Consolidated Plan
<b>G.</b> The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
<ul> <li>The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s.</li> <li>The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.</li> <li>The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development of this PHA Plan.</li> <li>Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)</li> </ul>
Other: (list below)
<b>H.</b> The Consolidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following actions and commitments: The Consolidated Plan shows the housing needs of the community are being met by the current housing units available. It supports the HA Plan by encouraging resident initiatives and supporting services for working families and the elderly. It promotes the efforts to maintain and manage housing units in a safe and efficient matter.
<u>I.</u> Other Information Required by HUD
Use this section to provide any additional information requested by HUD.

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### **KY096a03**

### Attachment A

### **Admissions Policy for Deconcentration**

It is Knott County Housing Authority's policy to provide for deconcentration of poverty and encourage income mixing by bringing higher income families into lower income developments and lower income families into higher income developments. Toward this end, we will skip families on the waiting list to reach other families with a lower or higher income. We will accomplish this in a uniform and non-discriminating manner.

The Knott County Housing Authority will affirmatively market our housing to all eligible income groups. Lower income residents will not be steered toward lower income developments and higher income people will not be steered toward higher income developments.

Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, we will analyze the income levels of families residing in each of our developments, the income levels of census tracts in which our developments are located, and the income levels of the families on the waiting list. Based on this analysis, we will determine the level of marketing strategies and deconcentration incentives to implement.

The Knott County Housing Authority may offer an incentive to encourage applicant families whose income classification would help to meet the deconcentration goals of a particular development.

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## **Knott County Housing Authority Hindman, Knott County, Kentucky**

### KY096b03 Attachment B

### Capital Fund Program Annual Statement Parts I, II, and II

**Annual Statement** (Page 1 of 3)

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part I: Summary

Capital Fund Grant Number FFY of Grant Approval: (04/2000)

Original Annual Statement

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost
1	Total Non-CGP Funds	5,000
2	1406 Operations	
3	1408 Management Improvements	
4	1410 Administration	2,400
5	1411 Audit	
6	1415 Liquidated Damages	
7	1430 Fees and Costs	16,600
8	1440 Site Acquisition	
9	1450 Site Improvement	85,000
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	14,500
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	7,500
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures	
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment	
14	1485 Demolition	
15	1490 Replacement Reserve	
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration	
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs	
18	1498 Mod Used for Development	
19	1502 Contingency	
20	Amount of Annual Grant (Sum of lines 2-19)	131,000
21	Amount of line 20 Related to LBP Activities	0
22	Amount of line 20 Related to Section 504 Compliance	0
23	Amount of line 20 Related to Security	0
24	Amount of line 20 Related to Energy Conservation Measures	0

# **Annual Statement** (Page 2 of 3) **Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part II: Supporting Table**

			1
Development	General Description of Major Work	Development	Total
Number/Name	Categories	Account	Estimated
HA-Wide Activities		Number	Cost
HA Wide	Travel, training, computer assistance, etc.	1406	5,000
HA Wide	For ED to administer program	1410	2,400
HA Wide	Fees & Costs for A/E, MC, & Energy Audit	1430	16,600
HA Wide	Replacement stoves & refrigerators	1465	7,500
KY96-03	Replace water supply lines in 10 units	1460	14,500
KY96-01	Pave parking area @ Caney	1450	15,000
KY96-01	Replace playgrounds at Caney & Hindman	1450	50,000
KY96-01	Add privacy fence at Caney	1450	20,000
	HA Wide 31,500		
	KY96-03 14,500		
	KY96-01 85,000		
	<u> </u>		
	Grand Total 131,000		
	Grand Total 131,000		

# **Annual Statement** (Page 3 of 3) **Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part III: Implementation Schedule**

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	All Funds Obligated (Quarter Ending Date)	All Funds Expended (Quarter Ending Date)
HA Wide KY96-03 KY96-01	09/30/01 09/30/01 09/30/01	09/30/02 09/30/02 09/30/02

### Five-Year Action Plan

Part I: Summary
Comprehensive Grant Program (CGP)

# U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp 3/31/2002)

[X] Original [] Revision No.\_\_\_\_ IA Name Locality: (City/County & State) **(nott County Housing Authority** Hindman, Knott County, Kentucky Work Statement for Work Statement for \. Development Number/Name Work Work Statement for Work Statement for Statement Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 For Yr. 1 FFY:2001 FFY: 2003 FFY: 2002 FFY: 2004 FFY: 2000 (Y096-01 Hindman & Caney 108,000 108,000 0 0 (Y096-03 Combs Branch See 0 50,000 Annual Statement 3. Physical Improvements Subtotal 108.000 108.000 0 50.000 2. Management Improvements ). HA-Wide Nondwelling Structures 0 0 108,000 58.000 and Equipment . Administration 3,000 3,000 3,000 3,000 . Other – A/E, MC, Audit 15.000 15.000 15.000 15.000 3. Operations 5,000 5,000 5,000 5,000 1. Demolition Replacement Reserve I. Mod Used for Development C Total Non-CGP Funds .. Total Non-CGP Funds 1. Grand Total 131,000 131,000 131,000 131,000 Signature of Executive Director: Date: Signature of Public Housing Director Date: s/ Linda Hall 10-Jan-00

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form HUD-52834(10/96)

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### ive-Year ActionPlan

### Part II: Supporting Pages

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

Comprehensive Grant Program (CGP)

			•	1	form HUD-52	•
	Subtotal of Estimated (	Cost	108,000	Subtotal of Estimated	Cost	108,000
Statement						
Annual						
See	Phase I – 31 units			Phase II – 30 units		
	KY96-01 Hindman & Caney Add central air conditioning	31	108,000	Add central air conditioning	30	108,000
	IVVOC 04 Hindman 9 Canay	31	108,000	KY96-01 Hindman & Caney	30	108,000
FY 2000	Major Work Categories			Major Work Categories		
for Year 1	Development Number/Name/General Description of	Quantity	Estimated Cost	Development Number/Name/General Description of	Quantity	Estimated Cost
Work Statement	Work Statement for Year <u>2</u> FFY <u>2001</u>			Work Statement for Year3 FFY2002		

# Five-Year Action Plan

### **U.S. Department of Housing**

Part III: Supporting Pages

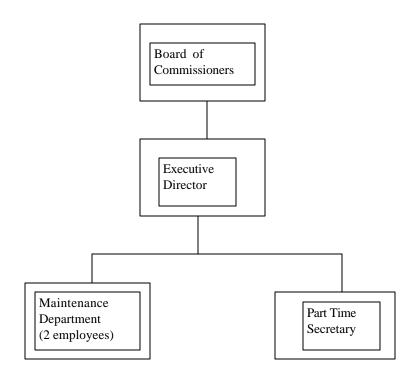
**Management Needs Work Statement(s)** 

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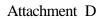
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Statement	FFY <u>2003</u>			FFY <u>2004</u>			
for Year 1	Development Number/Name/General Description of	Quantity	Estimated Cost	Development Number/Name/General Description of	Quantity	Estimated Cost	
FY	Major Work Categories			Major Work Categories			
	HA Wide – Non-Dwelling Structure	1	108,000	KY96-03 Combs Branch	20	50,000	
	Add Community Room at Caney			Renovate bathrooms			
	Phase I			LIA MEL NI DI III CO		50.00	
See				HA Wide Non-Dwelling Structures Complete Community Room at Caney		58,000	
See				Phase II			
Annual							
Statement							
	Subtotal of Estimated 0	Cost	108,000	Subtotal of Estimated	Cost	108,000	

# KNOTT COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



We have a Resident Commissioner who is appointed by the County Judge.

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#### Attachment E

### **Knott County Resident Advisory Council Meeting**

The Knott County Advisory Council met on Thursday, September 30, 1999, at 10:30 A.M. Those in attendance were:

Carolyn Craft, Resident Mary Jacobs, Resident Linda Hall, PHA Demes Slone, Resident Lisa C. Slone, Resident

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M.

A discussion was held on the PHA Plan, its components, the new lease, the proposed new ACOP and the new Capital Fund 5 year Action Plan.

A discussion was held on the admission preferences and the proposed deconcentration policy. All residents were in agreement to keep them as written.

A discussion was held concerning the eight hours of community service. All residents were in agreement, except Lisa C. Slone. Ms. Slone stated: "If I pay my rent and obey my lease, that should be my only responsibility".

A discussion was held on the 5 Year Action Plan needs assessment. Comments were as follows

Mary Jacobs: Central air, tile, garbage cans located in different areas on the premises, floor repair (squeaky places), water pipes, more parking spaces and a daycare center.

Lisa Slone: Central air, playground, more speed bumps at Caney, privacy fence at Caney to separate the PHA from private owned property.

Demes Slone: Playground equipment, central air, paving at Combs Branch, fence for the gabion wall to prevent kids from walking on it.

Carolyn Craft: Porches, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor escape ladders.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Adjournment at 11:30 A.M.

# **Optional Public Housing Asset Management Table**

See Technical Guidance for instructions on the use of this table, including information to be provided.

Public Housing Asset Management  KNOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY									
Development		Activity Description							
Identification									
Name, Number, and Location	Number and Type of units	Capital Fund Program Parts II and III Component 7a	Development Activities Component 7b	Demolition / disposition Component 8	Designated housing Component 9	Conversion  Component 10	Home- ownership Component 11a	Other (describe) Component 17	
Hindman KY 96-01	45 Family	See Attachments B & C (KY096b03/KY096c03)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Hindman									
Caney KY 96-01 Knott Cty.	16 Family	See Attachments B & C (KY096b03/KY096c03)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Combs Branch KY96-02	20 Mixed	See Attachments B & C(KY096b03/KY096c03)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Hindman									

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### ADMISSIONS AND CONTINUED OCCUPANCY POLICY

This Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy defines the Knott County Housing Authority's policies for the operation for the Public Housing Program, incorporating Federal, State and local law. If there is any conflict between this policy and laws or regulations, the laws and regulations will prevail.

### 1.0 FAIR HOUSING

It is the policy of the Knott County Housing Authority to fully comply with all Federal, State and local nondiscrimination laws; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations governing Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national or ethnic origin, familial status, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under the Knott County Housing Authority's programs.

To further its commitment to full compliance with applicable Civil Rights laws, the Knott County Housing Authority will provide Federal/State/local information to applicants/residents of the Public Housing Program regarding discrimination and any recourse available to them if they believe they may be victims of discrimination. Such information will be made available with the application, and all applicable Fair Housing Information and Discrimination Complaint Forms will be made available at the Knott County Housing Authority office. In addition, all written information and advertisements will contain the appropriate Equal Opportunity language and logo.

The Knott County Housing Authority will assist any family that believes they have suffered illegal discrimination. The Knott County Housing Authority will provide them with the address of the nearest HUD office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

### 2.0 REASONABLE ACCOMODATION

Sometimes people with disabilities may need a reasonable accommodation in order to take full advantage of the Knott County Housing Authority housing programs and related services. When such accommodations are granted, they do not confer special treatment or advantage for the person with a disability; rather, they make the program accessible to them in a way that would otherwise not be possible due to their disability. This policy clarifies how people can request accommodations and the guidelines the Knott County Housing Authority will follow in determining whether it is reasonable to provide a requested accommodation. Because disabilities are not always apparent, the Knott County Housing Authority will ensure that all applicants/residents are aware of the opportunity to request reasonable accommodations.

### 2.1 COMMUNICATION

Anyone requesting an application will also receive a Request for Reasonable Accommodation form

Reexamination/recertification will include information about requesting a reasonable accommodation.

All decisions granting or denying requests for reasonable accommodations will be in writing.

### 3.0 SERVICES FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING APPLICANTS AND RESIDENTS

The Knott County Housing Authority will endeavor to have bilingual staff or access to people who speak languages other than English in order to assist non-English speaking families.

### 4.0 FAMILY OUTREACH

The Knott County Housing Authority will communicate the status of housing availability to other service providers in the community and inform them of housing eligibility factors and guidelines so they can make proper referrals for the Public Housing Program.

### 5.0 RIGHT TO PRIVACY

All adult members of both applicant and resident households are required to sign HUD Form 9886, Authorization for Release of Information and Privacy Act Notice. The Authorization for Release of Information and Privacy Act Notice states how family information will be released and includes the Federal Privacy Act Statement.

Any request for applicant or resident information will not be released unless there is a signed release of information request from the applicant or resident.

### 6.0 REQUIRED POSTINGS

In each of its offices, the Knott County Housing Authority will post, in a conspicuous place and at a height easily read by all persons including persons with mobility disabilities, the following information:

A. Statement of Policies and Procedures governing Admission and Continued Occupancy

- B. Notice of the status of the waiting list (opened or closed)
- C. A listing of all the developments by name, address, number of units, units designed with special accommodations, address of all project offices, office hours, telephone numbers, TDD numbers, and Resident Facilities and operation hours
- D. Income Limits for Admission
- E. Excess Utility Charges
- F. Utility Allowance Schedule
- G. Current Schedule of Routine Maintenance Charges
- H. Dwelling Lease
- I. Grievance Procedure
- J. Fair Housing Poster
- K. Equal Opportunity in Employment Poster
- L. Any current Knott County Housing Authority Notices

# 7.0 TAKING APPLICATIONS

Families wishing to apply for the Public Housing Program will be required to complete an application for housing assistance. Applications will be accepted during regular business hours at:

# 997 Highway 160 South Hindman, Ky. 41822

Applications are taken to compile a waiting list. Due to the demand for housing in the Knott County Housing Authority jurisdiction, the Knott County Housing Authority may take applications on an open enrollment basis, depending on the length of the waiting list.

Completed applications will be accepted for all applicants and the Knott County Housing Authority will verify the information.

Applications will be mailed to interested families upon request.

The completed application will be dated and the time noted upon its return to the Knott County Housing Authority.

Persons with disabilities who require a reasonable accommodation in completing an application may call the Knott County Housing Authority to make special arrangements. A Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) is available for the deaf. The TDD telephone number is **800-247-2510**.

If the Knott County Housing Authority determines the family to be ineligible, the notice will state the reasons therefore and will offer the family the opportunity of an informal review of the determination.

The applicant may at any time report changes in their applicant status including changes in family composition, income, or preference factors. The Knott County Housing Authority will annotate the applicant's file and will update their place on the waiting list.

The Knott County Housing Authority will ensure that verification of all preferences, eligibility, suitability and selection factors are current in order to determine the family's eligibility for admission into the Public Housing Program.

#### 8.0 ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

#### 8.1 INTRODUCTION

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2. There are five eligibility requirements for admission to public housing: qualifies as a family, has an income within the income limits, meets citizenship/eligible immigrant criteria, provides documentation of Social Security numbers, and signs consent authorization documents. In addition to the eligibility criteria, families must also meet the Knott County Housing Authority screening criteria in order to be admitted to public housing.

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# 8.2 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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- 2. A. Family status.
  - 1. A **family with or without children** Such a family is defined as a group of people related by blood, marriage, adoption or affinity that live together in a stable family relationship.
    - 1. a. Children temporarily absent from the home due to placement in foster care are considered family members.

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b. Unborn children and children in the process of being adopted are considered family members for the purpose of determining bedroom size but are not considered family members for determining income limit.

# 2. 2. An **elderly family**, which is:

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- a. A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person who is at least 62 years of age;
- b. Two or more persons who are at least 62 years of age living together; or
- c. One or more persons who are at least 62 years of age living with one or more live-in aides.

# 3. A **near-elderly family**, which is:

- a. A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person who is at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62;
- b. Two or more persons, who are at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62, living together; or
- c. One or more persons, who are at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62, living with one or more live-in aides.

#### 4. A **disabled family**, which is:

- a. A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person with disabilities;
- b. Two or more persons with disabilities living together; or
- c. One or more persons with disabilities living with one or more live-in aides.
- 2. A displaced family, which is a family in which each member, or whose sole member, has been displaced by governmental action, or whose dwelling has been extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster declared or otherwise formally recognized pursuant to Federal disaster relief laws.

# 6. A remaining member of a resident family.

2. 7. A **single person** who is not an elderly or displaced person, a person with disabilities, or the remaining member of a resident family.

# 1. B. Income eligibility

- 2. 1. To be eligible for admission to developments or scattered-site units that were available for occupancy before 10/1/81, the family's annual income must be within the low-income limit set by HUD. This means the family income cannot exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area.
- 2. To be eligible for admission to developments or scattered-site units that became available on or after 10/1/81, the family's annual income must be within the very low-income limit set by HUD, unless HUD grants an exception. This means that without a HUD exception, the family income cannot exceed 50 percent of the median income for the area.
- 2. 3. Income limits apply only at admission and are not applicable for continued occupancy.
- 2. 4. A family may not be admitted to the public housing program from another assisted housing program (e.g., resident-based Section 8) or from a public housing program operated by another housing authority without meeting the income requirements of the Knott County Housing Authority.
- 3.
- 4. 5. If the Knott County Housing Authority acquires a property for federal public housing purposes, the families living there must have incomes within the low-income limit in order to be eligible to remain as public housing residents.
- 2. 6. Income limit restrictions do not apply to families transferring within our Public Housing Program.
- 2. 7. If there are no eligible families on the waiting list, families above the applicable income limit may be housed.

# 1. C. Citizenship/Eligibility Status

2. To be eligible each member of the family must be a citizen, national, or a noncitizen who has eligible immigration status under one of the categories set forth in Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980 (see 42 U.S.C. 1436a(a)).

# 2. Family eligibility for assistance.

- 1. a. A family shall not be eligible for assistance unless every member of the family residing in the unit is determined to have eligible status, with the exception noted below.
- b. Despite the ineligibility of one or more family members, a mixed family may be eligible for one of three types of assistance. (See Section 13.6 for calculating rents under the noncitizen rule)
- c. A family without any eligible members and receiving assistance on June 19, 1995 may be eligible for temporary deferral of termination of assistance.

# 1. D. Social Security Number Documentation

To be eligible, all family members 2 years of age and older must provide a Social Security number.

# 1. E. Signing Consent Forms

- 2. In order to be eligible, each member of the family who is at least 18 years of age, and each family head and spouse regardless of age, shall sign one or more consent forms.
- 2. The consent form must contain, at a minimum, the following:
  - a. A provision authorizing HUD or the Knott County Housing Authority to obtain from State Wage Information Collection Agencies (SWICAs) any information or materials necessary to complete or verify the application for participation or for eligibility for continued occupancy; and
  - A provision authorizing HUD or the Knott County Housing Authority to verify with previous or current employers income information pertinent to the family's eligibility for or level of assistance;
  - c. A provision authorizing PHA to request income information from the IRS and the SSA for the sole purpose of verifying income information pertinent to the family's eligibility or level of benefits; and

d. A statement that the authorization to release the information requested by the consent form expires 15 months after the date the consent form is signed.

# 8.3 SUITABILITY

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- 2. A. Applicant families will be evaluated to determine whether, based on their recent behavior, such behavior could reasonably be expected to result in noncompliance with the public housing lease. The Knott County Housing Authority will look at past conduct as an indicator of future conduct. Emphasis will be placed on whether a family's admission could reasonably be expected to have a detrimental effect on the development environment, other residents, Knott County Housing Authority employees, or other people residing in the immediate vicinity of the property. Otherwise eligible families with be denied admission if they fail to meet the suitability criteria.
- 1. B. The Knott County Housing Authority will consider objective and reasonable aspects of the family's background, including the following:
- 5. 1. History of meeting financial obligations, especially rent;

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- 7. Ability to maintain (or with assistance would have the ability to maintain) their housing in a decent and safe condition based on living or housekeeping habits and whether such habits could adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of other residents;
- 5. 3. History of criminal activity by any household member involving crimes of physical violence against persons or property and any other criminal activity including drug-related criminal activity that would adversely affect the health, safety, or well being of other residents or staff or cause damage to the property;
- 5. 3. History of disturbing neighbors or destruction of property;
- 5. 4. Having committed fraud in connection with any Federal housing assistance program, including the intentional misrepresentation of information related to their housing application or benefits derived there from; and
- 5. History of abusing alcohol in a way that may interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment by others.
- C. The Knott County Housing Authority will ask applicants to provide information demonstrating their ability to comply with the essential elements of the lease. The Knott

County Housing Authority will verify the information provided. Such verification may include but may not be limited to the following:

- 5. A credit check of the head, spouse and co-head;
- 6.
- 7. A rental history check of all adult family members;
- 8.
- 9. A criminal background check on all adult household members, including live-in aides. This check will be made through State or local law enforcement or court records. Where the individual has lived outside the local area, the Knott County Housing Authority may contact law enforcement agencies where the individual had lived or request a check through the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC);
- 10.
- 11.
- 12. 4. A check of the State's lifetime sex offender registration program for each adult household member, including live-in aides. No individual registered with this program will be admitted to public housing.

#### 8.4 GROUNDS FOR DENIAL

The Knott County Housing Authority is not required or obligated to assist applicants who:

- A. Do not meet any one or more of the eligibility criteria;
- B. Do not supply information or documentation required by the application process;
- C. Have failed to respond to a written request for information or a request to declare their continued interest in the program;
- D. Have a history of not meeting financial obligations, especially rent;
- E. Do not have the ability to maintain (with assistance) their housing in a decent and safe condition where such habits could adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of other residents;
- F. Have a history of criminal activity by any household member involving crimes of physical violence against persons or property and any other criminal activity including alcohol and drug-related criminal activity that would adversely affect the health, safety, or well being of other residents or staff or cause damage to the property;
- G. Have a history of disturbing neighbors or destruction of property;

- H. Currently owes rent or other amounts to any housing authority in connection with their public housing or Section 8 programs;
- I. Have committed fraud, bribery or any other corruption in connection with any Federal housing assistance program, including the intentional misrepresentation of information related to their housing application or benefits derived there from;
- J. Were evicted from assisted housing because of criminal activity involving crimes of physical violence against persons or property or any other criminal activity including drug-related criminal activity.
- K. Were evicted from assisted housing because of drug-related criminal activity involving the illegal manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with the intent to manufacture, sell, distribute a controlled substance as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. 802;
- L. Are illegally using a controlled substance or are abusing alcohol in a way that may interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents.
- M. Have engaged in or threatened abusive or violent behavior towards any Knott County Housing Authority staff or residents;
- N. Have a household member who has ever been evicted from public housing;
- O. Have a family household member who has been terminated under the certificate or voucher program;
- P. **Denied for Life:** If any family member has been convicted of manufacturing or producing a controlled substance in a public housing development or in a Section 8 assisted property;
- Q. **Denied for Life:** Has a lifetime registration under a State sex offender registration program.

#### 8.5 INFORMAL REVIEW

A. If the Knott County Housing Authority determines that an applicant does not meet the criteria for receiving public housing assistance, the Knott County Housing Authority will promptly provide the applicant with written notice of the determination. The notice must contain a brief statement of the reason(s) for the decision and state that the applicant

may request an informal review of the decision within 10 business days of the denial. The Knott County Housing Authority will describe how to obtain the informal review.

The informal review may be conducted by any person designated by the Knott County Housing Authority, other than a person who made or approved the decision under review or subordinate of this person. The applicant must be given the opportunity to present written or oral objections to the Knott County Housing Authority's decision. The Knott County Housing Authority must notify the applicant of the final decision within 14 calendar days after the informal review, including a brief statement of the reasons for the final decision.

B. The participant family may request that the Knott County Housing Authority provide for an Informal Hearing after the family has notification of an INS decision on their citizenship status on appeal, or in lieu of request of appeal to the INS. This request must be made by the participant family within 30 days of receipt of the Notice of Denial or Termination of Assistance, or within 30 days of receipt of the INS appeal decision.

For the participant families, the Informal Hearing Process above will be utilized with the exception that the participant family will have up to 30 days of receipt of the Notice of Denial or Termination of Assistance, or of the INS appeal decision.

# 9.0 MANAGING THE WAITING LIST

#### 9.1 OPENING AND CLOSING THE WAITING LIST

Opening of the waiting list will be announced with a public notice stating that applications for public housing will again be accepted. The public notice will state where, when, and how to apply. The notice will be published in a local newspaper of general circulation and also by any available minority media. The public notice will state any limitations to who may apply.

The notice will state that applicants already on waiting lists for other housing programs must apply separately for this program and such applicants will not lose their place on other waiting lists when they apply for public housing. The notice will include the Fair Housing logo and slogan and will be in compliance with Fair Housing requirements.

Closing of the waiting list will also be announced with a public notice. The public notice will state the date the waiting list will be closed and for what bedroom sizes. The public notice will be published in a local newspaper of general circulation and also by any available minority media.

## 9.2 ORGANIZATION OF THE WAITING LIST

The waiting list will be maintained in accordance with the following guidelines:

- A. The application will be a permanent file;
- B. All applications will be maintained in order of bedroom size, income, preference, and then in order of date and time of application; and
- C. Any contacts between the Knott County Housing Authority and the applicant will be documented in the applicant file.

# 9.3 FAMILIES NEARING THE TOP OF THE WAITING LIST

When a family appears to be within three (3) vacancies of being offered a unit, the family will be notified and the verification process will begin. It is at this point in time that the family's waiting list preference will be verified. If the family no longer qualifies to be near the top of the list, the family's name will be returned to the appropriate spot on the waiting list. The proper notation will be made in their file.

Once the preference has been verified, the family will complete a full application, present Social Security number information, citizenship/eligible immigrant information, and sign the Consent for Release of Information forms.

# 9.4 PURGING THE WAITING LIST

The Knott County Housing Authority will update and purge its waiting list at least annually to ensure that the pool of applicants reasonably represents the interested families for whom the Knott County Housing Authority has current information, i.e. applicant's address, family composition, income category, and preferences.

## 9.5 REMOVAL OF APPLICANTS FROM THE WAITING LIST

The Knott County Housing Authority will not remove an applicant's name from the waiting list unless:

- A. The applicant requests in writing or by phone that the name be removed;
- B. The applicant fails to respond to a written request for information or a request to declare their continued interest in the program; or
- C. The applicant does not meet either the eligibility or suitability criteria for the program.

# 9.6 MISSED APPOINTMENTS

All applicants who fail to keep a scheduled appointment with the Knott County Housing Authority will be sent a notice of termination of the process for eligibility.

The Knott County Housing Authority will allow the family to reschedule for good cause. No more than one opportunity will be given to reschedule. Applicants will be offered the right to an informal review before being removed from the waiting list.

#### 9.7 NOTIFICATION OF NEGATIVE ACTIONS

Any applicant whose name was being removed from the waiting list may request an informal review to present any mitigating circumstances. The Knott County Housing Authority system of removing applicant names from the waiting list will not violate the rights of persons with disabilities. If an applicant claims that their failure to respond to a request for information or updates was caused by a disability, the Knott County Housing Authority will verify that there is in fact a disability and the disability caused the failure to respond, and provide a reasonable accommodation. A reasonable accommodation would be to reinstate the applicant on the waiting list based on the date and time of the original application.

#### 10.0 RESIDENT SELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT PLAN

#### 10.1 PREFERENCES

The Knott County Housing Authority will select families based on the following preferences within each bedroom size category:

- A. Involuntarily displaced
- B. Living in substandard housing
- C. Homelessness
- D. Paying more than 50% of income for rent
- E. Local Preference
  - 1. Victims of domestic violence
  - 2. Local residency and/or working in locality
  - 3. Households that contribute to meeting the broad ranges of income

4. Households that contribute to meeting income requirements

# F. All other applicants

Based on the above preferences, all families in preference A will be offered housing before any families in preference B, preference B families will be offered housing before any families in preference C, and preference C before any families in preference D.

The date and time of application will be noted and utilized to determine the sequence within the above prescribed preferences.

Not withstanding the above, families who are elderly, disabled, or displaced will be offered housing before other single persons.

**Buildings Designated as Elderly Only Housing:** The Combs Branch 70-79 has been approved by HUD as being designated for elderly only. In filling vacancies in this development, first priority will be given to elderly families. If there are no elderly families on the list, next priority will be given to the near-elderly. If there are no near-elderly, units will be offered to families who qualify for the appropriate bedroom size. Using these priorities, families will be selected from the waiting list using the preferences as outlined above.

Unit Designated for Disabled Only Housing: The Hindman units 44, 61, 62, 63, 70 & 71, and the Caney unit 64 have been approved by HUD as being designated for persons with disabilities only. In filling vacancies in this development, first priority will be given to disabled families. If there are no disabled families on the list, next priority will be given to families who qualify for the appropriate bedroom size. Using these priorities, families will be selected from the waiting list using the preferences as outlined above.

Accessible Units: Accessible units will be first offered to families who may benefit from the accessible features. Applicants for these units will be selected utilizing the same preference system as outlined above. If there are no applicants who would benefit from the accessible features, the units will be offered to other applicants in the order that their names come to the top of the waiting list. Such applicants, however, must sign a release form stating they will accept a transfer if, at a future time, a family requiring an accessible feature applies. Any family required to transfer will be given a 30-day notice.

#### 10.2 ASSIGNMENT OF BEDROOM SIZES

The following guidelines will determine each family's unit size without overcrowding or over-housing:

Number of Bedrooms	Number of Persons	
	Minimum	Maximum
0	1	1
1	1	2
2	2	4
3	3	6
4	4	8

These standards are based on the assumption that each bedroom will accommodate no more than two (2) persons. Zero bedroom units will only be assigned to one-person families. Two adults will share a bedroom unless related by blood.

In determining bedroom size, the Knott County Housing Authority will include the presence of children to be born to a pregnant woman, children who are in the process of being adopted, children whose custody is being obtained, children who are temporarily away at school, or children who are temporarily in foster-care.

In addition, the following considerations may be taken in determining bedroom size:

- A. Children of the same sex will share a bedroom unless otherwise noted by the PHA.
- B. Children of the opposite sex, both under the age of 6 will share a bedroom.
- C. Adults and children will not be required to share a bedroom.
- D. Foster adults and/or foster children will not be required to share a bedroom with family members.
- E. Live-in aides will get a separate bedroom.

Exceptions to normal bedroom size standards include the following:

A. Units smaller than assigned through the above guidelines – A family may request a smaller unit size than the guidelines allow. The Knott County Housing Authority will allow the smaller size unit so long as generally no more than two (2) people per bedroom are assigned. In such situations, the family will sign a certification stating they understand they will be ineligible for a larger size unit for 1 year or until the family size changes, whichever may occur first.

- B. Units larger than assigned through the above guidelines A family may request a larger unit size than the guidelines allow. The Knott County Housing Authority will allow the larger size unit if the family provides a verified medical need that the family be housed in a larger unit.
- C. If there are no families on the waiting list for a larger size, smaller families may be housed if they sign a release form stating they will transfer to the appropriate size unit when an eligible family needing the larger unit applies. The family transferring will be given a 15-day notice before being required to move.
- D. Larger units may be offered in order to improve the marketing of a development suffering a high vacancy rate.

#### 10.3 SELECTION FROM THE WAITING LIST

The Knott County Housing Authority shall follow the statutory requirement that at least 40% of newly admitted families in any fiscal year be families whose annual income is at or below 30% of the area median income. To insure this requirement is met we shall quarterly monitor the incomes of newly admitted families and the incomes of the families on the waiting list. If it appears that the requirement to house extremely low-income families will not be met, we will skip higher income families on the waiting list to reach extremely low-income families.

If there are not enough extremely low-income families on the waiting list we will conduct outreach on a non-discriminatory basis to attract extremely low-income families to reach the statutory requirement.

#### 10.4 DECONCENTRATION POLICY

It is Knott County Housing Authority's policy to provide for deconcentration of poverty and encourage income mixing by bringing higher income families into lower income developments and lower income families into higher income developments. Toward this end, we will skip families on the waiting list to reach other families with a lower or higher income. We will accomplish this in a uniform and non-discriminating manner.

The Knott County Housing Authority will affirmatively market our housing to all eligible income groups. Lower income residents will not be steered toward lower income developments and higher income people will not be steered toward higher income developments.

Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, we will analyze the income levels of families residing in each of our developments, the income levels of census tracts in which our developments are located, and the income levels of the families on the waiting list. Based on this analysis, we will

determine the level of marketing strategies and deconcentration incentives to implement. The worksheet for the analysis can be found in **Appendix 1**.

#### 10.5 DECONCENTRATION INCENTIVES

The Knott County Housing Authority may offer an incentive to encourage applicant families whose income classification would help to meet the deconcentration goals of a particular development.

An incentive may be used at different times, or under different conditions, but will always be provided in a consistent and nondiscriminatory manner.

#### 10.6 OFFER OF A UNIT

When the Knott County Housing Authority discovers that a unit will become available, we will contact the first family on the waiting list who has the highest priority for this type of unit or development and whose income category would help to meet the deconcentration goal and/or the income targeting goal.

The Knott County Housing Authority will contact the family first by telephone to make the unit offer. If the family cannot be reached by telephone, the family will be notified of a unit offer via first class mail. The family will be given five (5) business days from the date the letter was mailed to contact the Knott County Housing Authority regarding the offer.

The family will be offered the opportunity to view the unit. This verbal offer and the family's decision must be documented in the resident file.

#### 10.7 REJECTION OF UNIT

If the family rejects the unit without good cause, the family will forfeit their application's date and time. The family will keep their preferences, but the date and time of application will be changed to the date and time the unit was rejected.

If the family rejects with good cause any unit offered, they will not lose their place on the waiting list. Good cause includes reasons related to health, proximity to work, school, and childcare (for those working or going to school). The family will be offered the right to an informal review of the decision to alter their application status.

#### 10.8 ACCEPTANCE OF UNIT

The family will be required to sign a lease that will become effective no later than three (3) business days after the date of acceptance or the business day after the day the unit becomes available, whichever is later.

The applicant will be provided a copy of the lease, and if requested, the grievance procedure, utility allowances, utility charges, the current schedule of routine maintenance charges, and a move-in inspection report. These documents will be explained in detail. The applicant will sign a certification that they have received these documents and that they have reviewed them with Housing Authority personnel. The certification will be filed in the resident's file.

The signing of the lease and the review of financial information are to be privately handled. The head of household and all adult family members will be required to execute the lease prior to admission. One executed copy of the lease will be furnished to the head of household and the Knott County Housing Authority will retain the original executed lease in the resident's file.

The family will pay a security deposit at the time of lease signing. The security deposit will be:

# A. \$100.00 for family; \$75.00 for elderly or disabled

In the case of a move within public housing, the security deposit for the first unit will be transferred to the second unit.

In the event there are costs attributable to the family for bringing the first unit into condition for re-renting, the family shall be billed for these charges.

## 11.0 INCOME, EXCLUSIONS FROM INCOME, AND DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME

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2. To determine annual income, the Knott County Housing Authority counts the income of all family members, excluding the types and sources of income that are specifically excluded. Once the annual income is determined, the Knott County Housing Authority subtracts all allowable deductions (allowances) to determine the Total Resident Payment.

#### *11.1 INCOME*

- 1. Annual income means all amounts, monetary or not, that:
  - A. Go to (or on behalf of) the family head or spouse (even if temporarily absent) or to any other family member; or
  - 1. B. Are anticipated to be received from a source outside the family during the 12-month period following admission or annual reexamination effective date; and

- C. Are not specifically excluded from annual income.
- 1. Annual income includes, but is not limited to:
  - 1. A. The full amount, before any payroll deductions, of wages and salaries, overtime pay, commissions, fees, tips and bonuses, and other compensation for personal services.

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3. B. The net income from the operation of a business or profession. Expenditures for business expansion or amortization of capital indebtedness are not used as deductions in determining net income. An allowance for depreciation of assets used in a business or profession may be deducted, based on straight-line depreciation, as provided in Internal Revenue Service regulations. Any withdrawal of cash or assets from the operation of a business or profession is included in income, except to the extent the withdrawal is a reimbursement of cash or assets invested in the operation by the family.

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5. C. Interest, dividends, and other net income of any kind from real or personal property. Expenditures for amortization of capital indebtedness are not used as deductions in determining net income. An allowance for depreciation of assets used in a business or profession may be deducted, based on straight-line depreciation, as provided in Internal Revenue Service regulations. Any withdrawal of cash or assets from an investment is included in income, except to the extent the withdrawal is reimbursement of cash or assets invested by the family. Where the family has net family assets in excess of \$5,000, annual income includes the greater of the actual income derived from all net family assets or a percentage of the value of such assets based on the current passbook savings rate, as determined by HUD.

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7. D. The full amount of periodic amounts received from Social Security, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefits, and other similar types of periodic receipts, including a lump-sum amount or prospective monthly amounts for the delayed start of a periodic amount. (However, deferred periodic amounts from supplemental security income and Social Security benefits that are received in a lump sum amount or in prospective monthly amounts are excluded.)

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9. E. Payments in lieu of earnings, such as unemployment and disability compensation, worker's compensation, and severance pay. (However, lump sum additions such as insurance payments from worker's compensation are excluded.)

10.

11. F. Welfare assistance.

- 1. If the amount of welfare is reduced due to an act of fraud by a family member or because of any family member's failure to comply with requirements to participate in an economic self-sufficiency program or work activity, the amount of rent required to be paid by the family will not be decreased. In such cases, the amount of income attributable to the family will include what the family would have received had they complied with the welfare requirements and/or had not committed an act of fraud.
- 2. If the amount of welfare assistance is reduced as a result of a lifetime time limit, the reduced amount is the amount that shall be counted as income.
- G. Periodic and determinable allowances, such as alimony, child support
  payments, and regular contributions or gifts received from organizations or from persons
  not residing in the dwelling.

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3. H. All regular pay, special pay, and allowances of a member of the Armed Forces. (Special pay to a member exposed to hostile fire is excluded.)

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#### 11.2 ANNUAL INCOME EXCLUSIONS

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- 2. Annual income does not include the following:
  - A. Income from employment of children (including foster children) under the age of 18 years;
  - B. Lump-sum additions to family assets, such as inheritances, insurance payments (including payments under health and accident insurance and worker's compensation), capital gains, and settlement for personal or property losses;
  - C. Amounts received by the family that are specifically for, or in reimbursement of, the cost of medical expenses for any family member;
  - D. The full amount of student financial assistance paid directly to the student or to the educational institution;
  - E. The special pay to a family member serving in the Armed Forces who is exposed to hostile fire:
  - F. The amounts received from the following programs:

- 1. Amounts received under training programs funded by HUD;
- 2. Amounts received by a person with a disability that are disregarded for a limited time for purposes of Supplemental Security Income eligibility and benefits because they are set aside for use under a Plan to Attain Self-Sufficiency (PASS);
- 3. Amounts received by a participant in other publicly assisted programs that are specifically for or in reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred (special equipment, clothing, transportation, child care, etc.) and that are made solely to allow participation in a specific program;
- 4. Amounts received under a resident service stipend. A resident service stipend is a modest amount (not to exceed \$200 per month) received by a resident for performing a service for the Housing Authority or owner, on a part-time basis, that enhances the quality of life in the development. Such services may include, but are not limited to, fire patrol, hall monitoring, lawn maintenance, and resident initiatives coordination. No resident may receive more than one such stipend during a six-month period of time;
- 5. Incremental earnings and benefits resulting to any family member from participation in qualifying State or local employment training programs (including training programs not affiliated with a local government). Amounts excluded by this provision must be received under employment training programs with clearly defined goals and objectives and are excluded only for the period during which the family member participates in the employment training program;
- 6. Temporary, nonrecurring or sporadic income (including gifts);
- 7. Reparation payments paid by a foreign government pursuant to claims filed under the laws of that government by persons who were persecuted during the Nazi era:
- 8. For family members who enrolled in certain training programs prior to 10/1/99, the earnings and benefits resulting from the participation if the program provides employment training and supportive services in accordance with the Family Support Act of 1988, Section 22 of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437t), or any comparable Federal, State, or local law during the exclusion period. For purposes of this exclusion the following definitions apply:

- a. Comparable Federal, State or local law means a program providing employment training and supportive services that:
  - i. Is authorized by a Federal, State or local law;
  - ii. Is funded by the Federal, State or local government;
  - iii. Is operated or administered by a public agency; and
  - iv. Has as its objective to assist participants in acquiring employment skills.
- b. Exclusion period means the period during which the family member participates in a program described in this section, plus 18 months from the date the family member begins the first job acquired by the family member after completion of such program that is not funded by public housing assistance under the 1937 Act. If the family member leaves the employment or is terminated from employment with good cause, the exclusion period shall end.
- c. Earnings and benefits means the incremental earnings and benefits resulting from a qualifying employment training program or subsequent job.
- 1. 9. The incremental earnings due to employment during the 12-month period following date of hire shall be excluded. This exclusion (paragraph 11) will not apply for any family who concurrently is eligible for exclusion #10. Additionally, this exclusion is only available to the following families:

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4. a. Families whose income increases during the participation of a family member in any family self-sufficiency program.

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- 6. b. Families who are or were, within 6 months, assisted under a State TANF program.
- 10. Deferred periodic amounts from supplemental security income and Social Security benefits that are received in a lump sum amount or in prospective monthly amounts;
- 11. Amounts received by the family in the form of refunds or rebates under State or local law for property taxes paid on the dwelling unit;
- 1. 12. Amounts paid by a State agency to a family with a member who has a

developmental disability and is living at home to offset the cost of services and equipment needed to keep the developmentally disabled family member at home; or

- 1. 13. Amounts specifically excluded by any other Federal statute from consideration as income for purposes of determining eligibility or benefits. These exclusions include:
  - a. The value of the allotment of food stamps
  - b. Payments to volunteers under the Domestic Volunteer Services Act of 1973
  - c. Payments received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act
  - d. Income from submarginal land of the U.S. that is held in trust for certain Indian tribes
  - e. Payments made under HHS's Low-Income Energy Assistance Program
  - f. Payments received under the Job Training Partnership Act
  - g. Income from the disposition of funds of the Grand River Band of Ottawa Indians
  - h. The first \$2000 per capita received from judgment funds awarded for certain Indian claims
  - i. Amount of scholarships awarded under Title IV including Work Study
  - j. Payments received under the Older Americans Act of 1965
  - k. Payments from Agent Orange Settlement
  - 1. Payments received under the Maine Indian Claims Act
  - m. The value of child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990
  - n. Earned income tax credit refund payments
  - o. Payments for living expenses under the Americorps Program

The Knott County Housing Authority will not provide exclusions from income in addition to those already provided for by HUD.

#### 11.3 DEDUCTIONS FROM ANNUAL INCOME

The following deductions will be made from annual income:

- 1. A. \$480 for each dependent;
- 2.
- 3. B. \$400 for any elderly family or disabled family;
- 4.
- 5.
- 6. C. For any elderly or disabled family:
- 7.
- 8. That has no disability assistance expenses, an allowance for medical expenses equal to the amount by which the medical expenses exceed 3% of annual income:
- 9.
- 10. That has disability expenses greater than or equal to 3% of annual income, an allowance for disability assistance expenses computed in accordance with paragraph C, plus an allowance for medical expenses that equal the family's medical expenses;
- 11.
- 12. That has disability assistance expenses that are less than 3% of annual income, an allowance for combined disability assistance expenses and medical expenses that is equal to the total of these expenses less 3% of annual income.
- 13.

#### 12.0 VERIFICATION

The Knott County Housing Authority will verify information related to waiting list preferences, eligibility, admission, and level of benefits prior to admission. Periodically during occupancy, items related to eligibility and rent determination shall also be reviewed and verified. Income, assets, and expenses will be verified, as well as disability status, need for a live-in aide and other reasonable accommodations; full time student status of family members; Social Security numbers; and citizenship/eligible noncitizen status. Age and relationship will only be verified in those instances where needed to make a determination of level of assistance.

#### 12.1 ACCEPTABLE METHODS OF VERIFICATION

Age, relationship, U.S. citizenship, and Social Security numbers will generally be verified with documentation provided by the family. For citizenship, the family's certification will be accepted. (Or for citizenship documentation such as listed below will be required.) Verification of these items will include photocopies of the Social Security cards and other documents presented by the family, the INS SAVE approval code, and forms signed by the family.

Other information will be verified by third party verification. This type of verification includes written documentation with forms sent directly to and received directly by a source, not passed through the hands of the family. This verification may also be direct contact with the source, in person or by telephone. It may also be a report generated by a request from the Knott County Housing Authority or automatically by another government agency, i.e. the Social Security Administration. Verification forms and reports received will be contained in the applicant/resident file. Oral third party documentation will include the same information as if the documentation had been written, i.e. name date of contact, amount received, etc.

When third party verification cannot be obtained, the Knott County Housing Authority will accept documentation received from the applicant/resident. Hand-carried documentation will be accepted if the Knott County Housing Authority has been unable to obtain third party verification in a 4-week period of time. Photocopies of the documents provided by the family will be maintained in the file.

#### 12.2 TYPES OF VERIFICATION

The chart below outlines the factors that may be verified and gives common examples of the verification that may be sought. Written third party verification, may require the Knott County Housing Authority to send a request form to the source along with a release form signed by the applicant/resident via first class mail.

Verification Requirements for Individual Items			
Item to Be Verified	3 <sup>rd</sup> party verification	Hand-carried verification	
General Eligibility Items			
Social Security Number	Letter from Social Security, electronic reports	Social Security card	
Citizenship	N/A	Signed certification, voter's registration card, birth certificate, etc.	
Eligible immigration status	INS SAVE confirmation #	INS card	

Verification Requirements for Individual Items				
Item to Be Verified	3 <sup>rd</sup> party verification	Hand-carried verification		
Disability	Letter from medical professional, SSI, etc	Proof of SSI or Social Security disability payments		
Full time student status (if >18)	Letter from school	For high school students, any document evidencing enrollment		
Need for a live-in aide	Letter from doctor or other professional knowledgeable of condition	N/A		
Disability assistance expenses	Letters from suppliers, care givers, etc.	Bills and records of payment		
Medical expenses	Letters from providers, prescription record from pharmacy, medical professional's letter stating assistance or a companion animal is needed	Bills, receipts, records of payment, dates of trips, mileage log, receipts for fares and tolls		
Value of and Income from Assets				
Savings, checking accounts	Letter from institution	Passbook, most current statements		
CDS, bonds, etc	Letter from institution	Tax return, information brochure from institution, the CD, the bond		
Stocks	Letter from broker or holding company	Stock or most current statement, price in newspaper or through Internet		
Real property	Letter from tax office, assessment, etc.	Property tax statement (for current value), assessment, records or income and expenses, tax return		
Personal property	Assessment, bluebook, etc	Receipt for purchase, other evidence of worth		

Verification Requirements for Individual Items				
Item to Be Verified	3 <sup>rd</sup> party verification	Hand-carried verification		
Cash value of life insurance policies	Letter from insurance company	Current statement		
Assets disposed of for less than fair market value	N/A	Original receipt and receipt at disposition, other evidence of worth		
Income				
Earned income	Letter from employer	Multiple pay stubs		
Self-employed	N/A	Tax return from prior year, books of accounts		
Regular gifts and contributions	Letter from source, letter from organization receiving gift (i.e., if grandmother pays day care provider, the day care provider could so state)	Bank deposits, other similar evidence		
Alimony/child support	Court order, letter from source, letter from Human Services	Record of deposits, divorce decree		
Periodic payments (i.e., social security, welfare, pensions, workers compensation, unemployment)	Letter or electronic reports from the source	Award letter, letter announcing change in amount of future payments		
Training program participation	Letter from program provider indicating - whether enrolled or completed - whether training is HUD-funded - whether Federal, State, local govt., or local program - whether it is employment training - whether it has clearly defined goals and objectives - whether program has supportive services - whether payments are for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in order to	N/A		

Verification Requirements for Individual Items			
Item to Be Verified	3 <sup>rd</sup> party verification	Hand-carried verification	
	participate in a program - date of first job after program completion	Evidence of job start	

#### 12.3 VERIFICATION OF CITIZENSHIP OR ELIGIBLE NONCITIZEN STATUS

- 1. The citizenship/eligible noncitizen status of each family member regardless of age must be determined.
- 1. Prior to being admitted, all citizens and nationals will be required to sign a declaration under penalty of perjury. They will be required to show proof of their status by such means as a Social Security card, birth certificate, military ID, or military DD 214 Form.
- 1. Prior to being admitted, all eligible noncitizens who are 62 years of age or older will be required to sign a declaration under penalty of perjury. They will also be required to show proof of age.
- Prior to being admitted, all eligible noncitizens must sign a declaration of their status and a
  verification consent form and provide their original INS documentation. The Knott County
  Housing Authority will make a copy of the individual's INS documentation and place the copy in
  the file. The Knott County Housing Authority will also verify their status through the INS SAVE
  system.
- 1. Family members who do not claim to be citizens, nationals, or eligible noncitizens must be listed on a statement of noneligible members and the list must be signed by the head of the household.
- 1. Noncitizen students on student visas, though in the country legally, are not eligible to be admitted to public housing.
- 1. Any family member who does not choose to declare their status must be listed on the statement of noneligible members.
- 3. If no family member is determined to be eligible under this section, the family's eligibility will be denied.
- 1. If the Knott County Housing Authority determines that a family member has knowingly permitted an ineligible noncitizen (other than any ineligible noncitizens listed on the lease) to permanently reside in their public housing unit, the family will be evicted. Such family will not be eligible to be readmitted to public housing.

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# 12.4 VERIFICATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

- 1. Prior to admission, each family member who has a Social Security number and who is at least 2 years of age must provide verification of their Social Security number. New family members at least 2 years of age must provide this verification prior to being added to the lease. Children in assisted households must provide this verification at the first regular reexamination after turning two.
- 1. The best verification of the Social Security number is the original Social Security card. If the card is not available, the Knott County Housing Authority will accept letters from the Social Security Agency that establishes and states the number. Documentation from other governmental agencies will also be accepted that establishes and states the number. Driver's licenses, military IDs, passports, or other official documents that establish and state the number are also acceptable.
- 1. If a member of an applicant family indicates they have a Social Security number, but cannot readily verify it, the family cannot be housed until verification is provided.

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#### 12.5 TIMING OF VERIFICATION

Verification information must be dated within ninety (90) days of certification or reexamination. If the verification is older than this, the source will be contacted and asked to provide information regarding any changes.

When an interim reexamination is conducted, the Housing Authority will only verify and update those elements reported to have changed.)

# 13.0 DETERMINATION OF TOTAL RESIDENT PAYMENT AND RESIDENT RENT

# 13.1 FAMILY CHOICE

At admission and each year in preparation for their annual reexamination, each family is given the choice of having their rent determined under the formula method or having their rent set at the flat rent amount.

- 1. A. Families who opt for the flat rent will be required to go through the income reexamination process every year.
- 1. B. Families who opt for the flat rent may request to have a reexamination and

return to the formula based method at any time for any of the following reasons:

- 8. 1. The family's income has decreased.
- 8. 2. The family's circumstances have changed increasing their expenses for medical care, etc.
- 8. 3. Other circumstances creating a hardship on the family such that the formula method would be more financially feasible for the family.

#### 13.2 THE FORMULA METHOD

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9. The total resident payment is equal to the highest of:

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- A. 10% of monthly income;
- B. 30% of adjusted monthly income; or
- C. The welfare rent.

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9. The family will pay the greater of the total resident payment or the minimum rent of \$50.00 but never more than the ceiling rent.

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11. In the case of a family who has qualified for the income exclusion at Section 11.2(F)(9), upon the expiration of the 12 month period described in that section, and additional rent benefit accrues to the family. If the family member's employment continues, then for the following 12 month period of disallowance, the resulting rent increase will be capped at 50% of the rent increase the family would have otherwise received. This exclusion will remain in effect contingent upon the funding by the DHUD.

#### 13.3 MINIMUM RENT

The Knott County Housing Authority has set the minimum rent at \$50.00. However if the family requests a hardship exemption, the Knott County Housing Authority will immediately suspend the minimum rent for the family until the Housing Authority can determine whether the hardship exists and whether the hardship is of a temporary or long-term nature.

- A. A hardship exists in the following circumstances:
  - 1. When the family through no fault of its own has lost eligibility for or is waiting an eligibility determination for a Federal, State, or local assistance program;

- 2. When the family would be evicted as a result of the imposition of the minimum rent requirement;
- 3. When the income of the family has decreased because of changed circumstances, including loss of employment;
- 4. When the family has an increase in expenses because of changed circumstances, for medical costs, transportation, education, or similar items;
- 5. When a death has occurred in the family.
- B. No hardship. If the Housing Authority determines there is no qualifying hardship, the minimum rent will be reinstated, including requiring back payment of minimum rent for the time of suspension. No hardship is believed to exist where the unit contains cable TV, telephone, or other rental services.
- C. Temporary hardship. If the Housing Authority reasonably determines that there is a qualifying hardship but that it is of a temporary nature, the minimum rent will be not be imposed for a period of 90 days from the date of the family's request. At the end of the 90-day period, the minimum rent will be imposed retroactively to the time of suspension. The Housing Authority will offer a repayment agreement in accordance with the Section 19 of this policy for any rent not paid during the period of suspension. During the suspension period the Housing Authority will not evict the family for nonpayment of the amount of resident rent owed for the suspension period.
- D. Long-term hardship. If the Housing Authority determines there is a long-term hardship, the family will be exempt from the minimum rent requirement until the hardship no longer exists.
- E. Appeals. The family may use the grievance procedure to appeal the Housing Authority's determination regarding the hardship. No escrow deposit will be required in order to access the grievance procedure.

## 13.4 THE FLAT RENT

The Knott County Housing Authority has set a flat rent for each public housing unit. In doing so, it considered the size and type of the unit, as well as its condition, amenities, services, and neighborhood. The Knott County Housing Authority determined the market value of the unit and set the rent at the market value. The amount of the flat rent will be reevaluated annually and adjustments applied. Affected families will be given a 30-day notice of any rent change. Adjustments are applied on the anniversary date for each affected family (for more information on flat rents, see Section 15.3).

The Knott County Housing Authority will post the flat rents at each of the developments and at the central office and are incorporated in this policy upon approval by the Board of Commissioners.

#### 13.5 CEILING RENT

The Knott County Housing Authority has set a ceiling rent for each public housing unit. The amount of the ceiling rent will be reevaluated annually and the adjustments applied. Affected families will be given a 30-day notice of any rent change. Adjustments are applied on the anniversary date for each affected family.

The Knott County Housing Authority will post the ceiling rents at each of the developments and at the central office and are incorporated in this policy upon approval by the Board of Commissioners.

#### 13.6 RENT FOR FAMILIES UNDER THE NONCITIZEN RULE

- 1. A mixed family will receive full continuation of assistance if all of the following conditions are met:
  - A. The family was receiving assistance on June 19, 1995;
  - 8. B. The family was granted continuation of assistance before November 29, 1996;
  - C. The family's head or spouse has eligible immigration status; and
  - D. The family does not include any person who does not have eligible status other than the head of household, the spouse of the head of household, any parent of the head or spouse, or any child (under the age of 18) of the head or spouse.

If a mixed family qualifies for prorated assistance but decides not to accept it, or if the family has no eligible members, the family may be eligible for temporary deferral of termination of assistance to permit the family additional time for the orderly transition of some or all of its members to locate other affordable housing. Under this provision, the family receives full assistance. If assistance is granted under this provision prior to November 29, 1996, it may last no longer than three (3) years. If granted after that date, the maximum period of time for assistance under the provision is eighteen (18) months. The Knott County Housing Authority will grant each family a period of six (6) months to find suitable affordable housing. If the family cannot find suitable affordable housing, the Knott County Housing Authority will provide additional search periods up to the maximum time allowable.

Suitable housing means housing that is not substandard and is of appropriate size for the family. Affordable housing means that it can be rented for an amount not exceeding the amount the family pays for rent, plus utilities, plus 25%.

The family's assistance is prorated in the following manner:

- A. Determine the 95% percentile of gross rents (resident rent plus utility allowance) for the Knott County Housing Authority. The 95% percentile is called the maximum rent.
- B. Subtract the family's total resident payment from the maximum rent. The resulting number is called the maximum subsidy.
- C. Divide the maximum subsidy by the number of family members and multiply the result times the number of eligible family members. This yields the prorated subsidy.
- D. Subtract the prorated subsidy from the maximum rent to find the prorated total resident payment. From this amount subtract the full utility allowance to obtain the prorated resident rent.

#### 13.7 UTILITY ALLOWANCE

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- 1. The Knott County Housing Authority shall establish a utility allowance for all check-metered utilities and for all resident-paid utilities. The allowance will be based on a reasonable consumption of utilities by an energy-conservative household of modest circumstances consistent with the requirements of a safe, sanitary, and healthful environment. In setting the allowance, the Knott County Housing Authority will review the actual consumption of resident families as well as changes made or anticipated due to modernization (weatherization efforts, installation of energy-efficient appliances, etc). Allowances will be evaluated as necessary.
- For Knott County Housing Authority paid utilities, the Knott County Housing Authority will
  monitor the utility consumption of each household. Any consumption in excess of the allowance
  established by the Knott County Housing Authority will be billed to the resident.
  - Utility allowance revisions based on rate changes shall be effective retroactively to the first day of the month following the quarter in which the last rate change took place. Revisions based on changes in consumption or other reasons shall become effective at each family's next annual reexamination.
    - Requests for relief from surcharges for excess consumption of Knott County Housing Authority purchased utilities or from payment of utility supplier billings in excess of the utility allowance for

resident-paid utility costs may be granted by the Knott County Housing Authority on reasonable grounds. Requests may be granted to families that include an elderly member or a member with disabilities. Requests by the family shall be submitted under the Reasonable Accommodation Policy. Families shall be advised of their right to individual relief at admission to public housing and at time of utility allowance changes.

#### 13.8 PAYING RENT

Rent and other charges are due and payable on the first day of the month. All rents should be paid at the office, 997 Highway 160 South, Hindman, Ky. Reasonable accommodations for this requirement will be made for persons with disabilities.

If the rent is not paid by the fifth of the month, a Notice to Vacate will be issued to the resident. In addition, a \$5 late charge will be assessed to the resident. If rent is paid by a personal check and the check is returned for insufficient funds, this shall be considered a non-payment of rent and will incur the late charge plus an additional charge of \$20 for processing costs.

# 14.0 CONTINUED OCCUPANCY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### 14.1 GENERAL

In order to be eligible for continued occupancy, each adult family member must either (1) contribute eight hours per month of community service (not including political activities) within the community in which the public housing development is located, or (2) participate in an economic self-sufficiency program unless they are exempt from this requirement

# 14.2 EXEMPTIONS

- 1.
- 2. The following adult family members of resident families are exempt from this requirement.
  - 8. A. Family members who are 62 or older
  - 8. B. Family members who are blind or disabled
  - 8. C. Family members who are the primary care giver for someone who is blind or disabled
  - 8. D. Family members engaged in work activity a minimum of 40 hours
  - 8. E. Family members who are exempt from work activity under part A title IV of the Social Security Act or under any other State welfare program, including the welfare-to-

## work program

8. F. Family members receiving assistance under a State program funded under part A title IV of the Social Security Act or under any other State welfare program, including welfare-to-work and who are in compliance with that program

# 14.3 NOTIFICATION OF THE REQUIREMENT

- 8. The Knott County Housing Authority shall identify all adult family members who are apparently not exempt from the community service requirement.
- 8. The Knott County Housing Authority shall notify all such family members of the community service requirement and of the categories of individuals who are exempt from the requirement. The notification will provide the opportunity for family members to claim and explain an exempt status. The Knott County Housing Authority shall verify such claims.
- 8. The notification will advise families that their community service obligation will begin 01-01-2000 and thereafter the effective date of their annual reexamination. For family's paying a flat rent, the obligation begins on the date their annual reexamination would have been effective had an annual reexamination taken place. The PHA will advise all eligible residents that failure to comply with the community service requirement will result in ineligibility for continued occupancy at the time of any subsequent annual reexamination.

#### 14.4 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Community service includes performing work or duties in the public benefit that serve to improve the quality of life and/or enhance resident self-sufficiency, and/or increase the self-responsibility of the resident within the community.

An economic self sufficiency program is one that is designed to encourage, assist, train or facilitate the economic independence of participants and their families or to provide work for participants. These programs may include programs for job training, work placement, basic skills training, education, English proficiency, work fare, financial or household management, apprenticeship, and any program necessary to ready a participant to work (such as substance abuse or mental health treatment).

The Knott County Housing Authority will coordinate with available agencies in identifying a list of volunteer community service positions.

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9. The Knott County Housing Authority may create volunteer positions.

#### 14.5 THE PROCESS

- 8. On or after January 1, 2000, and each annual reexamination thereafter, the Knott County Housing Authority will do the following:
  - A. Provide a list of volunteer opportunities to the family members.
  - B. Provide information about obtaining suitable volunteer positions.
  - C. Provide a volunteer time sheet to the family member. Instructions for the time sheet require the individual to complete the form and have a supervisor date and sign for each period of work.
  - D. During the next reexamination, the Housing Authority will advise whether each applicable adult family member is in compliance with the community service requirement.

# 14.6 NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

8. The Knott County Housing Authority will notify any family found to be in noncompliance of the following:

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- A. The family member(s) has been determined to be in noncompliance;
- B. That, unless the family member(s) enter into an agreement to comply within 30 days, the lease will not be renewed or will be terminated:

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#### 14.7 OPPORTUNITY FOR CURE

- 8. The Knott County Housing Authority will offer the family member(s) the opportunity to enter into an agreement prior to the anniversary of the lease. The agreement shall state that the family member(s) agrees to enter into an economic self-sufficiency program or agrees to contribute to community service for as many hours as needed to comply with the requirement over the past 12-month period. The cure shall occur over the next 30 day period beginning with the date of the agreement and the resident shall at the same time stay current with that year's community service requirement.
- 8. If any applicable family member does not accept the terms of the agreement, does not fulfill their obligation to participate in an economic self-sufficiency program, or falls behind in their obligation under the agreement to perform community service by more than three (3) hours after

three (3) months, the Knott County Housing Authority shall take action to terminate the lease.

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# 15.0 RECERTIFICATIONS

At least annually, the Knott County Housing Authority will conduct a reexamination of family income and circumstances. The results of the reexamination determine (1) the rent the family will pay, and (2) whether the family is housed in the correct unit size.

#### 15.1 GENERAL

1. The Knott County Housing Authority will send a notification letter to the family letting them know that it is time for their annual reexamination, giving them the option of selecting either the flat rent or formula method, and scheduling an appointment if they are currently paying a formula rent. If the family thinks they may want to switch from a flat rent to a formula rent, they should discuss at their appointment. At the appointment, the family can make their final decision regarding which rent method they will choose. The letter also includes, for those families paying the formula method, instructions for the family in preparation for the interview. The letter includes instructions permitting the family to reschedule the interview if necessary.

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3. During the appointment, the Knott County Housing Authority will determine whether family composition may require a transfer to a different bedroom size unit, and if so, the family's name will placed on the transfer list.

#### 15.2 MISSED APPOINTMENTS

If the family fails to respond to the letter and fails to attend the interview, a second letter will be mailed. The second letter will advise the family to contact the Housing Authority immediately for rescheduling. The letter will also advise that failure by the family to attend the interview will result in the Knott County Housing Authority taking eviction actions against the family.

#### 15.3 FLAT RENTS

The annual letter to flat rent payers regarding the reexamination process will state the following:

- 1. A. Each year at the time of the annual reexamination, the family has the option of selecting a flat rent amount in lieu of having their rent based on the formula amount.
- 1. B. The amount of the flat rent
- C. A fact sheet about formula rents.

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2. D. Families who opt for the flat rent will be required to go through the income

reexamination process.

- 1. E. Families who opt for the flat rent may request to have a reexamination and return to the formula-based method at any time for any of the following reasons:
  - 8. 1. The family's income has decreased.
    - 8. 2. The family's circumstances have changed.
- F. The Knott County Housing Authority reviews the amount of the flat rent annually.
- 2.
- 1. G. A certification for the family to sign accepting or declining the flat rent.

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#### 15.4 THE FORMULA METHOD

- During the interview, the family will provide all information regarding income, assets, expenses, and other information necessary to determine the family's share of rent. The family will sign the HUD consent form and other consent forms that later will be mailed to the sources that will verify the family circumstances.
- 1. Upon receipt of verification, the Knott County Housing Authority will determine the family's annual income and will calculate their rent as follows.
- 2.
- 3. The total resident payment is equal to the highest of:
- 4.
- A. 10% of monthly income;
- B. 30% of adjusted monthly income; or
- C. The welfare rent.

8.

9. The family will pay the greater of the total resident payment or the minimum rent of \$50.00, but never more than the ceiling rent.

#### 15.5 EFFECTIVE DATE OF RENT CHANGES FOR ANNUAL REEXAMINATIONS

- 1. The new rent will generally be effective upon the anniversary date with thirty (30) days notice of any rent increase to the family.
- 1. If the rent determination is delayed due to a reason beyond the control of the family, then any

rent increase will be effective the first of the month after the month in which the family receives a 30-day notice of the amount. If the new rent is a reduction and the delay is beyond the control of the family, the reduction will be effective as scheduled on the anniversary date.

1. If the family caused the delay, then any increase will be effective on the anniversary date. Any reduction will be effective the first of the month after the rent amount is determined.

#### 15.6 INTERIM REEXAMINATIONS

During an interim reexamination, only the information affected by the changes being reported will be reviewed and verified.

- 1. Families will be required to report any increase in income or decreases in allowable expenses between annual reexaminations.
- 1. Families are required to report the following changes to the Knott County Housing Authority between regular reexaminations. If the family's rent is being determined under the formula method, these changes will trigger an interim reexamination. The family shall report these changes within ten (10) days of their occurrence.
  - 8. A. A member has been added to the family through birth or adoption or court-awarded custody.
  - 9.
- B. A household member is leaving or has left the family unit.
- 8.
- 9. C. Increase or Decrease in family income.

In order to add a household member other than through birth or adoption, the family must request that the new member be added to the lease. Before adding the new member to the lease, the individual must provide their income, assets, and all other information required of an applicant. The individual must provide their Social Security number and must verify their citizenship/eligible immigrant status. The new family member will go through the screening process similar to the process for applicants. The Knott County Housing Authority will determine the eligibility of the individual before adding them to the lease. If the individual is found to be ineligible or does not pass the screening criteria, they will be advised in writing. If they are found to be eligible and do pass the screening criteria, their name will be added to the lease. At the same time, if the family's rent is being determined under the formula method, the family's annual income will be recalculated taking into account the circumstances of the new family member. The effective date of the new rent will be in accordance with paragraph below 15.8.

#### 15.7 SPECIAL REEXAMINATIONS

If a family's income is too unstable to project for twelve (12) months, including families that temporarily have no income (0 renters) or have a temporary decrease in income, the Knott County Housing Authority may schedule special reexaminations every sixty (60) days until the income stabilizes and an annual income can be determined.

# 15.8 EFFECTIVE DATE OF RENT CHANGES DUE TO INTERIM OR SPECIAL REEXAMINATIONS

Unless there is a delay in reexamination processing caused by the family, any rent increase will be effective the first of the second month after the month in which the family receives notice of the new rent amount. If the family causes a delay, then the rent increase will be effective on the date it would have been effective had the process not been delayed (even if this means a retroactive increase).

- 1. If the new rent is a reduction and any delay is beyond the control of the family, the reduction will be effective the first of the month after the interim reexamination should have been completed.
- 1. If the new rent is a reduction and the family caused the delay or did not report the change in a timely manner, the change will be effective the first of the month after the rent amount is determined.

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## 16.0 UNIT TRANSFERS

#### 16.1 OBJECTIVES OF THE TRANSFER POLICY

The objectives of the Transfer Policy include the following:

- 1. A. To address emergency situations.
  - 1. B. To fully utilize available housing resources while avoiding overcrowding by insuring that each family occupies the appropriate size unit.
  - 1. C. To facilitate a relocation when required for modernization or other management purposes.
  - 1. D. To facilitate relocation of families with inadequate housing accommodations.
  - 1. E. To eliminate vacancy loss and other expense due to unnecessary transfers.

#### 16.2 CATEGORIES OF TRANSFERS

- Category 1: Emergency transfers. These transfers are necessary when conditions pose an
  immediate threat to the life, health, or safety of a family or one of its members. Such situations
  may involve defects of the unit or the building in which it is located, the health condition of a
  family member, a hate crime, the safety of witnesses to a crime, or a law enforcement matter
  particular to the neighborhood.
- 1. Category 2: Immediate administrative transfers. These transfers are necessary in order to permit a family needing accessible features to move to a unit with such a feature or to enable modernization work to proceed.
- 1. Category 3: Regular administrative transfers. These transfers are made to correct occupancy standards where the unit size is inappropriate for the size and composition of the family, to allow for non-emergency but medically advisable transfers, and other transfers approved by the Knott County Housing Authority when a transfer is the only or best way of solving a serious problem.

## 16.3 DOCUMENTATION

When the transfer is at the request of the family, the family may be required to provide third party verification of the need for the transfer.

# 16.4 PROCESSING TRANSFERS

- 8. The family will be allowed two (2) days to complete a transfer. The family will be responsible for paying rent at the old unit as well as the new unit for any period of time in excess of two (2) days they have possession of both.
- 9.
- 10. The following is the policy for the rejection of an offer to transfer:
- 11.
  - 12.
  - 13. A. If the transfer is being made at the request of the Knott County Housing Authority and the family rejects an offer without good cause, the Knott County Housing Authority will take action to terminate their tenancy.
  - 14.

#### 16.5 COST OF THE FAMILY'S MOVE

1. The cost of the transfer will be borne by the family.

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- 3. A. When the transfer is made at the request of the family or by others on behalf of the family (i.e. by the police);
- 8. B. When the transfer is needed to move the family to an appropriately sized unit, either larger or smaller;
- 8. C. When the transfer is necessitated because a family with disabilities needs the accessible unit into which the transferring family moved (The family without disabilities signed a statement to this effect prior to accepting the accessible unit).
- 1. The cost of the transfer will be borne by the Knott County Housing Authority in the following circumstances:
  - A. When the transfer is needed in order to carry out rehabilitation activities; or

8.

9. B. When action or inaction by the Knott County Housing Authority has caused the unit to be unsafe or inhabitable.

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11. The responsibility for moving costs in other circumstances will be determined on a case by case basis.

#### 16.6 RESIDENTS IN GOOD STANDING

When the transfer is at the request of the family, it will not be approved unless the family is in good standing with the Knott County Housing Authority. This means the family must be in compliance with their lease, current in all payments to the Housing Authority, and must pass a housekeeping inspection.

# 16.7 TRANSFER REQUESTS

8. A resident may request a transfer at any time. In considering the request, the Knott County Housing Authority may request a meeting with the resident to better understand the need for transfer and to explore possible alternatives. The Knott County Housing Authority will review the request in a timely manner.

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10. If the transfer is approved, the family's name will be added to the transfer waiting list.

# 16.8 RIGHT OF THE KNOTT COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY IN TRANSFER POLICY

The provisions listed above are to be used as a guide to insure fair and impartial means of assigning units for transfers. It is not intended that this policy will create a property right or any other type of right for a resident to transfer or refuse to transfer.

## 17.0 INSPECTIONS

An authorized representative of the Knott County Housing Authority and an adult family member will inspect the premises prior to commencement of occupancy. A written statement of the condition of the premises will be made, all equipment will be provided, and the statement will be signed by both parties with a copy retained in the Knott County Housing Authority file and a copy given to the family member. An authorized Knott County Housing Authority representative will inspect the premises at the time the resident vacates and will furnish a statement of any charges to be made provided the resident turns in the proper notice under State law. The resident's security deposit can be used to offset against any Knott County Housing Authority damages to the unit.

## 17.1 MOVE-IN INSPECTIONS

The Knott County Housing Authority and an adult member of the family will inspect the unit prior to signing the lease. Both parties will sign a written statement of the condition of the unit. A copy of the signed inspection will be given to the family and the original will be placed in the resident file.

# 17.2 ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

The Knott County Housing Authority will inspect each public housing unit at least annually to ensure that each unit meets the Knott County Housing Authority's housing standards. Work orders will be submitted and completed to correct any deficiencies.

# 17.3 PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS

This inspection is intended to keep items in good repair. It checks weatherization; checks the condition of the smoke detectors, water heaters, furnaces, automatic thermostats and water temperatures; checks for leaks; and provides an opportunity to change furnace filters and provide other minor servicing that extends the life of the unit and its equipment.

#### 17.4 SPECIAL INSPECTIONS

A special inspection may be scheduled to enable HUD or others to inspect a sample of the housing stock maintained by the Knott County Housing Authority.

## 17.5 HOUSEKEEPING INSPECTIONS

As necessary, the Knott County Housing Authority will conduct a housekeeping inspection to ensure the family is maintaining the unit in a safe and sanitary condition.

## 17.6 NOTICE OF INSPECTION

For inspections defined as annual inspections, preventative maintenance inspections, special inspections, and housekeeping inspections the Knott County Housing Authority will give the resident at least two (2) days written notice.

## 17.7 EMERGENCY INSPECTIONS

If any employee and/or agent of the Knott County Housing Authority has reason to believe that an emergency exists within the housing unit, the unit can be entered without notice. The person(s) that enters the unit will prepare a written notice that indicates the date and time the unit was entered and the reason why it was necessary to enter the unit.

## 17.8 MOVE-OUT INSPECTIONS

The Knott County Housing Authority conducts the move-out inspection after the resident vacates to assess the condition of the unit and determine responsibility for any needed repairs. When possible, the resident is notified of the inspection and is encouraged to be present. This inspection becomes the basis for any claims that may be assessed against the security deposit.

#### 18.0 PET POLICY

## 18.1 EXCLUSIONS

This policy does not apply to animals that are used to assist persons with disabilities. Assistive animals are allowed in all public housing facilities with no restrictions other than those imposed on all residents to maintain their units and associated facilities in a decent, safe, and sanitary manner and to refrain from disturbing their neighbors.

## 18.2 APPLICATION FOR PET PERMIT

Prior to housing any pet on the premises, the resident shall apply to the Housing Authority for a pet permit, which shall be accompanied by the following:

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- 2. A Pet Security Deposit in the amount of \$200.00;
- 3. A current license issued by the appropriate authority if applicable;
- 4. Evidence that the pet has received current rabies and distemper inoculations or boosters, as applicable; and
- 5. Evidence that the pet has been spayed or neutered, as applicable.

# 18.3 All residents with pets permitted shall comply with the following rules:

- 1. Permitted pets are domesticated dogs, cats, birds, and fish aquariums. The weight of the dog or cat may not exceed 20 pounds. (A pet deposit will not be required for any pet that regularly occupies a cage or aquarium.) Rats and or mice are not permitted.
- 2. Only one pet per household will be permitted.
- 3. Dogs and cats must be licensed yearly with the proper licensing authority and residents must show proof of annual rabies and distemper booster inoculations.
- 4. Vicious and/or intimidating dogs will not be allowed.
- 5. All dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered, as applicable.
- 6. Dogs and cats shall remain inside the resident's unit. No animal shall be permitted to be loose in hallways, lobby areas, community rooms, yards, or other common areas of the facility.
- 7. When taken outside the unit, dogs and cats must be kept on a leash, controlled ;by an adult.
- 8. Birds must be confined to a cage at all times.
- 9. Residents shall not permit their pet to disturb, interfere, or diminish the peaceful enjoyment of other residents. The terms "disturb, interfere, and diminish" shall include but not be limited to barking, howling, chirping, biting, scratching, and other like activities.
- 10. A fresh flea collar must be used at all times and if the problem of fleas occur, the resident is responsible for the cost of the extermination.
- 11. The resident shall demonstrate that they have the physical and financial capability to care for the pet.
- 12. Residents shall provide litter boxes for cat waste, which must be kept in the dwelling unit. Residents shall not permit refuse from litter boxes to accumulate nor to become unsightly or unsanitary.
- 13. Residents are solely responsible for cleaning up pet droppings, if any, outside the unit and on facility grounds. Droppings must be disposed of by being placed in a plastic sack and then placed in a container outside the building.
- 14. Residents shall take adequate precautions and measures necessary to eliminate pet odors within or around the unit and shall maintain the unit in a sanitary condition at all times.
- 15. If pets are left unattended for a period of 24 hours or more, the HAKC may enter the dwelling unit, remove the pet and transfer it to the proper authorities, subject to the provisions of Kentucky State Law and pertinent local ordinances. The Housing Authority accepts no responsibility for the animal under such circumstances.
- 16. Residents shall not alter their unit, or unit area, in order to create an enclosure for any pet.

- 17. Residents are responsible for all damages caused by their pet, including the cost of cleaning carpets and/or furnigation of units.
- 18. Residents are prohibited from feeding or harboring stray animals. The feeding of stray animals shall constitute having a pet without the written permission of the HAKC and is a violation of the lease.
- 19. Should any pet housed in a HAKC facility give birth to a litter, the resident shall move from the premises all of said pets except one.
- 20. Residents shall identify an alternate custodian for pets in the event of resident illness or other absence from the dwelling unit. This identification of an alternate custodian must occur prior to the Housing Authority issuing a pet permit.
- 18.4 *The Privilege of maintaining a pet* in a facility owned and/or operated by the Housing Authority of Knott County shall be subject to the rules set forth in paragraph 18.3 above. This privilege may be revoked at any time subject to the Housing Authority Hearing Procedures if the animal should become destructive, create a nuisance, represent a threat to the safety and security of other residents, or create a problem in the area of cleanliness and sanitation.
- 18.5 **Should a breach of the rules** set forth in paragraph 18.3 above occur, the Housing Authority may also exercise any remedy granted it in accordance with pertinent Kentucky Revised Statutes now in effect.
- 18.6 This Pet Policy will be made as an amendment to the Dwelling Lease.

#### 19.0 REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS

When a resident owes the Knott County Housing Authority back charges and is unable to pay the balance by the due date, the resident may request that the Knott County Housing Authority allow them to enter into a Repayment Agreement. The Knott County Housing Authority has the sole discretion of whether to accept such an agreement. All Repayment Agreements must assure that the full payment is made within a period not to exceed twelve (12) months. All Repayment Agreements must be in writing and signed by both parties. Failure to comply with the Repayment Agreement terms may subject the Resident to eviction procedures.

# 20.0 TERMINATION

#### 20.1 TERMINATION BY RESIDENT

The resident may terminate the lease at any time upon submitting a 2-week written notice. If the resident vacates prior to the end of the two weeks, they will be responsible for rent through the end of the notice period or until the unit is re-rented, whichever occurs first.

#### 20.2 TERMINATION BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Knott County Housing Authority after 10/1/2000 will not renew the lease of any family that is not in compliance with the community service requirement or an approved Agreement to Cure. If they do not voluntarily leave the property, eviction proceedings will begin.

The Knott County Housing Authority will terminate the lease for serious or repeated violations of material lease terms. Such violations include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Nonpayment of rent or other charges;
- B. A history of late rental payments -3 times in any 12 month period;
- C. Failure to provide timely and accurate information regarding family composition, income circumstances, or other information related to eligibility or rent;
- D. Failure to allow inspection of the unit;
- E. Failure to maintain the unit in a safe and sanitary manner;
- F. Assignment or subletting of the premises;
- G. Use of the premises for purposes other than as a dwelling unit;
- H. Destruction of property;
- I. Engage in or permit unlawful activities in the unit, in the common areas, or on the property grounds that may be detrimental to or impair the physical or social environment of the Housing Authority;
- J. Act or allow household members or guests to act in a manner that will disturb the rights or comfort of neighbors and prevent maintaining the project in a decent, safe, and sanitary condition;
- K. Permit any member of the household, a guest, or another person under the Resident's control to engage in any violent, alcohol, drug and/or criminal activity that threatens the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other Residents or Authority employees;

- L. Permit any member of the household, a guest, or another person under the Resident's control to engage in any violent or drug-related criminal activity on or off the premises;
- N. M. Non-compliance with Non-Citizen Rule requirements;
- N. Permitting persons not on the lease to reside in the unit more than fourteen (14) days each year without the prior written approval of the Housing Authority;
- O. Violation of the **Zero Tolerance Policy**;
- P. Violation of the **Criminal Trespass Policy** and;
- Q. Other good cause.

The Knott County Housing Authority will take immediate action to evict any household that includes an individual who is subject to a lifetime registration requirement under a State sex offender registration program.

## 20.3 ABANDONMENT

The Knott County Housing Authority will consider a unit to be abandoned when a resident has both fallen behind in rent **AND** has clearly indicated by words or actions an intention not to continue living in the unit.

When a unit has been abandoned, an Knott County Housing Authority representative may enter the unit and remove any abandoned property. It will be stored in a reasonably secure place. A notice will be mailed to the resident stating if the property is not claimed within 48 hours, it will be disposed of in some manner. If the Housing Authority does not have a new address for the resident, the notice will be mailed to the unit address so it can be forwarded by the post office.

Family pictures, keepsakes, and personal papers will be held for 30 days.

Any money raised by the sale of the property goes to cover money owed by the family to the Knott County Housing Authority such as back rent and the cost of storing and selling the goods. If there is any money left over and the family's forwarding address is known the Knott County Housing Authority will mail it to the family. If the family's address is not known, the Knott County Housing Authority will keep it for the resident for one year. If it is not claimed within that time, it belongs to the Knott County Housing Authority.

Within thirty days of learning of an abandonment, the Knott County Housing Authority will either return the deposit or provide a statement of why the deposit is being kept.

# 20.4 RETURN OF SECURITY DEPOSIT

After a family moves out, the Knott County Housing Authority will return the security deposit within thirty days or give the family a written statement of why all or part of the security deposit is being kept. The rental unit must be restored to the same conditions as when the family moved in, except for normal wear and tear. Deposits will not be used to cover normal wear and tear or damage that existed when the family moved in.

The Knott County Housing Authority will be considered in compliance with the above if the required payment, statement, or both, are deposited in the U.S. mail with first class postage paid within thirty days.

#### **GLOSSARY**

**50058 Form:** The HUD form that housing authorities are required to complete for each assisted household in public housing to record information used in the certification and re-certification process and, at the option of the housing authority, for interim reexaminations.

**1937 Housing Act:** The United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) (24 CFR 5.100)

**Adjusted Annual Income:** The amount of household income, after deductions for specified allowances, on which resident rent is based. (24 CFR 5.611)

**Adult:** A household member who is 18 years or older or who is the head of the household, or spouse, or co-head.

**Allowances:** Amounts deducted from the household's annual income in determining adjusted annual income (the income amount used in the rent calculation). Allowances are given for elderly families, dependents, medical expenses for elderly families, disability expenses. Other allowance can be given at the discretion of the housing authority.

**Annual Contributions Contract (ACC):** The written contract between HUD and a housing authority under which HUD agrees to provide funding for a program under the 1937 Act, and the housing authority agrees to comply with HUD requirements for the program. (24 CFR 5.403)

**Annual Income:** All amounts, monetary or not, that:

- A. Go to (or on behalf of) the family head or spouse (even if temporarily absent) or to any other family member; or
- B. Are anticipated to be received from a source outside the family during the 12-month period following admission or annual reexamination effective date; and
- C. Are not specifically excluded from annual income.

Annual Income also includes amounts derived (during the 12-month period) from assets to which any member of the family has access. (1937 Housing Act; 24 CFR 5.609)

**Applicant (applicant family):** A person or family that has applied for admission to a program but is not yet a participant in the program. (24 CFR 5.403)

**As-Paid States:** States where the welfare agency adjusts the shelter and utility component of the welfare grant in accordance with actual housing costs. Currently, the four as-paid States are New Hampshire, New York, Oregon, and Vermont.

**Assets:** The value of equity in savings, checking, IRA and Keogh accounts, real property, stocks, bonds, and other forms of capital investment. The value of necessary items of personal property such as furniture and automobiles are not counted as assets. (Also see "net family assets.")

**Asset Income:** Income received from assets held by family members. If assets total more than \$5,000, income from the assets is "imputed" and the greater of actual asset income and imputed asset income is counted in annual income. (See "imputed asset income" below.)

**Ceiling Rent:** Maximum rent allowed for some units in public housing projects.

**Certification:** The examination of a household's income, expenses, and family composition to determine the family's eligibility for program participation and to calculate the family's share of rent.

**Child:** For purposes of citizenship regulations, a member of the family other than the family head or spouse who is under 18 years of age. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Citizen:** A citizen or national of the United States. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Consent Form:** Any consent form approved by HUD to be signed by assistance applicants and participants for the purpose of obtaining income information from employers and SWICAs, return information from the Social Security Administration, and return information for unearned income from the Internal Revenue Service. The consent forms may authorize the collection of other information from assistance applicants or participant to determine eligibility or level of benefits. (24 CFR 5.214)

**Decent, Safe, and Sanitary:** Housing is decent, safe, and sanitary if it satisfies the applicable housing quality standards.

**Department:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development. (24 CFR 5.100)

**Dependent:** A member of the family, including foster children and foster adults, other than the family head or spouse, who is under 18 years of age or is a person with a disability or is a full-time student. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Dependent Allowance:** An amount, equal to \$480 multiplied by the number of dependents, that is deducted from the household's annual income in determining adjusted annual income.

**Disability Assistance Expenses:** Reasonable expenses that are anticipated, during the period for which annual income is computed, for attendant care and auxiliary apparatus for a disabled family member and

that are necessary to enable a family member (including the disabled member) to be employed, provided that the expenses are neither paid to a member of the family nor reimbursed by an outside source. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Disability Assistance Expense Allowance:** In determining adjusted annual income, the amount of disability assistance expenses deducted from annual income for families with a disabled household member.

**Disabled Family:** A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person with disabilities; two or more persons with disabilities living together; or one or more persons with disabilities living with one or more live-in aides. (24 CFR 5.403(b)) (Also see "person with disabilities.")

**Disabled Person:** See "person with disabilities."

**Displaced Family:** A family in which each member, or whose sole member, is a person displaced by governmental action (such as urban renewal), or a person whose dwelling has been extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster declared or otherwise formally recognized pursuant to Federal disaster relief laws. (24 CFR 5.403(b))

**Displaced Person:** A person displaced by governmental action or a person whose dwelling has been extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster declared or otherwise formally recognized pursuant to Federal disaster relief laws. [1937 Act]

**Drug-Related Criminal Activity**: Drug trafficking or the illegal use, or possession for personal use, of a controlled substance as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802.

**Elderly Family:** A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person who is at least 62 years of age; two or more persons who are at least 62 years of age living together; or one or more persons who are at least 62 years of age living with one or more live-in aides. (24 CFR 5.403)

**Elderly Family Allowance:** For elderly families, an allowance of \$400 is deducted from the household's annual income in determining adjusted annual income.

**Elderly Person:** A person who is at least 62 years of age. (1937 Housing Act)

**Extremely low-income families:** Those families whose incomes do not exceed 30% of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary with adjustments for smaller and larger families.

**Fair Housing Act:** Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.). (24 CFR 5.100)

**Family** is defined as but is not limited to:

A. A group of people related by blood, marriage, adoption, or affinity that live together in a stable family relationship.

**Family Members:** All members of the household, including live-in aides, foster children, and foster adults. All family members permanently reside in the unit, though they may be temporarily absent. All family members are listed on the lease.

**Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS Program):** The program established by a housing authority to promote self-sufficiency among participating families, including the coordination of supportive services. (24 CFR 984.103(b))

**Flat Rent:** A rent amount the family may choose to pay in lieu of having their rent determined under the formula method. The flat rent is established by the housing authority set at the lesser of the market value for the unit or the cost to operate the unit. Families selecting the flat rent option have their income evaluated once every three years, rather than annually.

**Formula Method:** A means of calculating a family's rent based on 10% of their monthly income, 30% of their adjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or the minimum rent. Under the formula method, rents may be capped by a ceiling rent. Under this method, the family's income is evaluated at least annually.

**Full-Time Student:** A person who is carrying a subject load that is considered full-time for day students under the standards and practices of the educational institution attended. An educational institution includes a vocational school with a diploma or certificate program, as well as an institution offering a college degree. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Hardship:** A hardship exists in the following circumstances: (1) when a family, through no fault of its own has lost eligibility for or is waiting on an eligibility determination; (2) when a family would be evicted for the imposition of the minimum rent; (3) when the income of the family has decreased because a change of circumstances; (4) when a family has an increase in allowable expenses, and (5) when a death has occurred in the family.

**Head of Household:** The adult member of the family who is the head of the household for purposes of determining income eligibility and rent. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**House Rules:** Those rules established by the Landlord which are reasonably related to the safety, care, and cleanliness of the property and safety, comfort and convenience of the residents.

**Household Members**: All members of the household including members of the family, live-in aides, foster children, and foster adults. All household members are listed on the lease, and no one other than household members are listed on the lease.

**Housing Assistance Plan:** A housing plan that is submitted by a unit of general local government and approved by HUD as being acceptable under the standards of 24 CFR 570.

**Imputed Income**: For households with net family assets of more than \$5,000, the amount calculated by multiplying net family assets by a HUD-specified percentage. If imputed income is more than actual income from assets, the imputed amount is used as income from assets in determining annual income.

**In-Kind Payments:** Contributions other than cash made to the family or to a family member in exchange for services provided or for the general support of the family (e.g., groceries provided on a weekly basis, baby sitting provided on a regular basis).

**Interim** (examination): A reexamination of a family income, expenses, and household composition conducted between the regular annual recertifications when a change in a household's circumstances warrants such a reexamination.

**Live-In Aide:** A person who resides with one or more elderly persons, near-elderly persons, or persons with disabilities and who:

- A. Is determined to be essential to the care and well-being of the persons;
- B. Is not obligated for the support of the persons; and
- C. Would not be living in the unit except to provide the necessary supportive services. (24 CFR 5.403(b))

**Low-Income Families:** Those families whose incomes do not exceed 80% of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary with adjustments for smaller and larger families, except that the Secretary may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 80% of the median for the area on the basis of the Secretary's findings that such variations are necessary because of prevailing levels of construction costs or unusually high or low family incomes. (1937Act)

**Medical Expenses:** Medical expenses (of all family members of an elderly or disabled family), including medical insurance premiums, that are anticipated during the period for which annual income is computed and that are not covered by insurance. (24 CFR 5.603(d)). These expenses include, but are not limited to, prescription and non-prescription drugs, costs for doctors, dentists, therapists, medical facilities, care for a service animals, transportation for medical purposes.

**Minimum Rent:** The lowest amount of rent charged by the Knott County Housing Authority.

**Mixed Family:** A family whose members include those with citizenship or eligible immigration status and those without citizenship or eligible immigration status. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Monthly Adjusted Income:** One twelfth of adjusted income. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Monthly Income:** One twelfth of annual income. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**National:** A person who owes permanent allegiance to the United States, for example, as a result of birth in a United States territory or possession. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Near-Elderly Family:** A family whose head, spouse, or sole member is a person who is at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62; two or more persons, who are at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62, living together; or one or more persons who are at least 50 years of age but below the age of 62 living with one or more live-in aides. (24 CFR 5.403(b))

# **Net Family Assets:**

- A. Net cash value after deducting reasonable costs that would be incurred in disposing of real property, savings, stocks, bonds, and other forms of capital investment, excluding interests in Indian trust land and excluding equity accounts in HUD homeownership programs. The value of necessary items of personal property such as furniture and automobiles shall be excluded.
- B. In cases where a trust fund has been established and the trust is not revocable by, or under the control of, any member of the family or household, the value of the trust fund will not be considered an asset so long as the fund continues to be held in trust. Any income distributed from the trust fund shall be counted when determining annual income.
- C. In determining net family assets, housing authorities or owners, as applicable, shall include the value of any business or family assets disposed of by an applicant or resident for less than fair market value (including a disposition in trust, but not in a foreclosure or bankruptcy sale) during the two years preceding the date of application for the program or reexamination, as applicable, in excess of the consideration received therefor. In the case of a disposition as part of a separation or divorce settlement, the disposition will not be considered to be for less than fair market value if the applicant or resident receives important consideration not measurable in dollar terms. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Non-Citizen:** A person who is neither a citizen nor national of the United States. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Occupancy Standards:** The standards that a housing authority establishes for determining the appropriate number of bedrooms needed to house families of different sizes or composition.

# **Person with Disabilities:** A person who:

A. Has a disability as defined in Section 223 of the Social Security Act, which states:

"Inability to engage in any substantial, gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or that has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months, or

- B. Is determined, pursuant to regulations issued by the Secretary, to have a physical, mental, or emotional impairment that:
  - 1. Is expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration;
  - 2. Substantially impedes his or her ability to live independently; and
  - 3. Is of such a nature that such ability could be improved by more suitable housing conditions, or
- C. Has a developmental disability as defined in Section 102(7) of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, which states:

"Severe chronic disability that:

- 1. Is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;
- 2. Is manifested before the person attains age 22;
- 3. Is likely to continue indefinitely;
- 4. Results in substantial functional limitation in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: (1) self care, (2) receptive and responsive language, (3) learning, (4) mobility, (e) self-direction, (6) capacity for independent living, and (7) economic self-sufficiency; and
- 5. Reflects the person's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services that are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated."

This definition does not exclude persons who have the disease of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome or any conditions arising from the etiologic agent for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. (1937 Act)

No individual shall be considered to be a person with disabilities for purposes of eligibility solely based on any drug or alcohol dependence.

**Proration of Assistance:** The reduction in a family's housing assistance payment to reflect the proportion of family members in a mixed family who are eligible for assistance. (24 CFR5.520)

**Public Housing Agency (PHA):** Any State, county, municipality, or other governmental entity or public body (or agency or instrumentality thereof) which is authorized to engage in or assist in the development or operation of low-income housing under the 1937 Housing Act. (24 CFR 5.100)

**Recertification:** The annual reexamination of a family's income, expenses, and composition to determine the family's rent.

**Remaining Member of a Resident Family:** A member of the family listed on the lease who is eligible to continue to live in the public housing dwelling after all other family members have left. (Handbook 7565.1 REV-2, 3-5b.)

**Self-Declaration:** A type of verification statement by the resident as to the amount and source of income, expenses, or family composition. Self-declaration is acceptable verification only when third-party verification or documentation cannot be obtained.

**Shelter Allowance:** That portion of a welfare benefit (e.g., TANF) that the welfare agency designates to be used for rent and utilities.

**Single Person:** Someone living alone or intending to live alone who does not qualify as an elderly family, a person with disabilities, a displaced person, or (Public Housing: Handbook 7465.1 REV-2, 3-5) A member of the family listed on the lease who is eligible to continue to live in the Public Housing dwelling after all other family members have left.

**State Wage Information Collection Agency (SWICA):** The State agency receiving quarterly wage reports from employers in the State or an alternative system that has been determined by the Secretary of Labor to be as effective and timely in providing employment-related income and eligibility information. (24 CFR 5.214)

**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF):** The program that replaced the Assistance to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) that provides financial assistance to needy families who meet program eligibility criteria. Benefits are limited to a specified time period.

**Resident:** The person or family renting or occupying an assisted dwelling unit. (24 CFR 5.504(b))

**Resident Rent:** The amount payable monthly by the family as rent to the housing authority. Where all utilities (except telephone) and other essential housing services are supplied by the housing authority or owner, resident rent equals total resident payment. Where some or all utilities (except telephone) and other essential housing services are supplied by the housing authority and the cost thereof is not included in the amount paid as rent, resident rent equals total resident payment less the utility allowance. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

**Third-Party** (**verification**): Written or oral confirmation of a family's income, expenses, or household composition provided by a source outside the household.

# **Total Resident Payment (TTP):**

- A. Total resident payment for families whose initial lease is effective on or after August 1, 1982:
  - 1. Total resident payment is the amount calculated under Section 3(a)(1) of the 1937 Act which is the higher of:
    - a. 30% of the family's monthly adjusted income;
    - b. 10% of the family's monthly income; or
    - c. If the family is receiving payments for welfare assistance from a public agency and a part of such payments, adjusted in accordance with the family's actual housing costs, is specifically designated by such agency to meet the family's housing costs, the portion of such payments which is so designated.

If the family's welfare assistance is ratably reduced from the standard of need by applying a percentage, the amount calculated under section 3(a)(1) shall be the amount resulting from one application of the percentage.

- 2. Total resident payment for families residing in public housing does not include charges for excess utility consumption or other miscellaneous charges.
- B. Total resident payment for families residing in public housing whose initial lease was effective before August 1, 1982: Paragraphs (b) and (c) of 24 CFR 913.107, as it existed immediately before November 18, 1996), will continue to govern the total

resident payment of families, under a public housing program, whose initial lease was effective before August 1, 1982.

**Utility Allowance:** If the cost of utilities (except telephone) and other housing services for an assisted unit is not included in the resident rent but is the responsibility of the family occupying the unit, an amount equal to the estimate made by a housing authority of the monthly cost of a reasonable consumption of such utilities and other services for the unit by an energy-conservative household of modest circumstances consistent with the requirements of a safe, sanitary, and healthful living environment. (24 CFR 5.603)

**Utility Reimbursement:** The amount, if any, by which the utility allowance for the unit, if applicable, exceeds the total resident payment for the family occupying the unit. (24 CFR 5.603)

Very Low-Income Families: Low-income families whose incomes do not exceed 50% of the median family income for the area, as determined by the Secretary with adjustments for smaller and larger families, except that the Secretary may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 50% of the median for the areas on the basis of the Secretary's findings that such variations are necessary because of unusually high or low family incomes. Such ceilings shall be established in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture for any rural area, as defined in Section 520 of the Housing Act of 1949, taking into account the subsidy characteristics and types of programs to which such ceilings apply. (1937 Act)

**Welfare Assistance:** Welfare or other payments to families or individuals, based on need, that are made under programs funded by Federal, State or local governments. (24 CFR 5.603(d))

Welfare Rent: In "as-paid" welfare programs, the amount of the welfare benefit designated for shelter and utilities.

## ACRONYMS

ACC Annual Contributions Contract

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

FSS Family Self Sufficiency (program)

HCDA Housing and Community Development Act

HQS Housing Quality Standards

HUD Department of Housing and Urban Development

INS (U.S.) Immigration and Naturalization Service

NAHA (Cranston-Gonzalez) National Affordable Housing Act

NOFA Notice of Funding Availability

OMB (U.S.) Office of Management and Budget

PHA Public Housing Agency

QHWR Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998

SSA Social Security Administration

TTP Total Resident Payment